Using EHS Biobarrels

State and Federal regulations require biowaste be treated before disposal. EHS offers biobarrels for areas that do not have access to an autoclave. These guidelines ensure safe handling, proper preparation, and timely pickup of your EHS biobarrel. Refer to EHS SOP 6.5 Use of EHS-provided Biobars for details.

1 | Biobarrel Management During Accumulation
The biobarrel is not the singular receptacle for or primary containment of biowaste; biobars must be used with the supplied liner, and shall not contain loose or non-biohazardous waste materials.

- Smaller biobags from the immediate work area must be tied off prior to placing inside the biobarrel.
- Barrels shall not be filled more than ¾ full.
- Biobars shall not weigh more than 40 lbs. Biobars do not have to weigh 40 lbs for pickup.
- You can request biobars anytime on the EHS website.

2 | Preparing Biobarrel for Pickup
If your biobarrel weighs > 40lbs or your liner is not tied closed, EHS can refuse your pickup request.

1. Weigh your biobarrel.
2. Tie off your biobarrel liner.
3. Securely close the lid.

3 | Submit Online Pickup Request
This poster and other resources are available on our website! www.ehs.ttu.edu

All biological waste requests must be submitted online at www.ehs.ttu.edu. Biological waste is picked up weekly.