

Updated and replaced previous policy, Recommended First Aid Kit Contents dated March 11, 1994.

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To: Local Agent Health Departments

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Subject: Required Contents of a Biohazard Kit

Question

What supplies are required in a biohazard kit?

Background

DHS 172.27(2) states, 'Biohazard safety equipment, including a blood and biohazard disposal kit shall be located at the first aid station or another location on the premises approved by the department.' DHS 172 has a detailed list of first aid equipment; however, the required contents of a biohazard kit are not listed.

Code Intrepretation

Under OSHA's Bloodborne Pathogen Standard from 29 CFR 1910.1030, employers must help prevent occupational exposure to blood or other potentially infectious materials. Proper bloodborne pathogen prevention will directly affect the general public's health and safety. As a result, the required contents of a biohazard kit shall contain the following:

- 1. Gloves
- 2. Mask and face shield
- 3. Apron
- 4. Absorbent powder
- 5. Scoop/scrapper
- 6. Red biohazard bag
- 7. Disposable towels
- 8. Antimicrobial wipes
- 9. Instructions for safe cleanup



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