



Best Cleaning Practices Feminine Care Waste Receptacles

Safety Reminders: Wear protective gloves.

Procedure

- Empty sanitary product disposal receptacle contents by removing the liner bag, sealing it and placing in lined cleaning cart trash receptacle or lined trash pickup container.
- Use extra caution when handling liner which may contain sharps such as needles.
- Visually inspect the inside of the receptacle and cautiously remove debris remaining in the bottom and discard in trash. Contact supervisor immediately if evidence of sharps or pool of liquid.
- Use paper towel or other disposable wipes only.
- Clean to remove any visible soiling of the inside and outside of the receptacle.
- To properly disinfect, apply (via disposable wipes/spray bottle) an appropriate disinfectant to the interior and exterior of the receptacle including the lid, even when there is no visible soiling. Consult with your supplier to ensure using appropriate disinfectant.
- Appropriate disinfectants include an EPA- registered tuberculocides, sterilants registered by EPA, products registered against HIV/HBV or Sterilants/ High Level Disinfectants cleared by the FDA.
- In order to be effective, always follow the recommended dwell time on the manufacturer's product label.
- To dry receptacle surfaces, use paper towels or other disposable wipes only and discard when saturated.
- To comply with the OSHA Bloodborne Pathogen Standard, line the clean receptacle with one bag that will completely cover the inside surface and totally enclose discarded sanitary products. This protects the janitorial staff from coming into direct contact with materials containing blood or body fluids.
 - Check the dimension of the stall receptacle to choose the correct size bag.
 - The liner should reach all the way around the sides and to the bottom of the receptacle.
 - Use one liner bag only; do not place multiple paper bags in the receptacle.
- Handle the filled trash disposal container carefully; knowing that sharps and blood borne pathogens may be present. Do not sort through or compress trash even gloved hands.
- Inspect your work to insure visible and hygienic cleaning standards are met; ATP measurement can help to verify organic soil removal.

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