# Are you preparing suspected **Ebola- contaminated waste** for transportation?

Ebola contaminated waste is considered a Category A infectious substance and must be doubled bagged and placed in a rigid outer packaging prior to transportation.

## **Packaging Requirements:**

You must use packaging meeting the requirements for a Division 6.2 Category A material (49 CFR 173.196) or Special Permit DOT-SP 16279.

## **Packaging Preparation:**

#### **1** Bag the waste

- Put contaminated waste into a leakproof primary receptacle
- Use authorized container for sharps
- Wrap sharp edges to prevent puncturing of the plastic bag
- Close the packaging in accordance with closure instructions
- If following a DOT-SP, spray exterior surface with EPA-registered disinfectant that is recommended by the CDC for use against the Ebola virus

### 2 Double bag

- Place primary receptacle into a leakproof secondary packaging with the closure facing upward
- Include absorbent material sufficient to absorb the entire contents of all primary receptacles
- Close the packaging in accordance with closure instructions
- If following a DOT-SP, spray exterior surface with disinfectant

#### **3** Put contaminated waste in outer packaging

- Put primary receptacle and secondary packaging in rigid outer packaging
- Close the packaging in accordance with closure instructions
- If following a DOT-SP, spray exterior surface with disinfectant



For more information on transporting infectious substances, please visit PHMSA's website:

https://www.phmsa.dot.gov/transporting-infectious-substances/transporting-infectious-substances-overview

or contact the Hazmat Info Center: 1-800-467-4922





