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Fact sheet

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Disposal of hazardous liquid waste in disposable 5L canisters

1. Non-halogenated organic solvents

Canisters with a yellow lid

Examples: acetone, methanol, ethanol, propanol, xylene, formaldehyde (PFA)

Canister labelled with:





2. Halogenated organic solvents

Canisters with a red lid

Examples: methylene chloride, chloroform

Canister labelled with:





3. Aqueous waste, dissolved metal salts (pH 0 to 7)

Canisters with a black lid

Example: zinc chloride solution

Canister labelled with:







4. Liquid aqueous waste, poisonous or hazardous to health and/or the environment

Canisters with a green lid

Examples: heat-stable antibiotics, chemically inactivated biological waste, liquid waste from agarose gel electrophoresis

Canister labelled with:



