New drop-off protocol for Biohazard Bags waiting to be treated by BNL Staff

CNSI BNL Autoclave Core
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1. Take an empty holding box (green arrow)
2. Place box on cart
3. Put biowaste bag in the holding box
4. Securely fasten lid on box as shown in photo (yellow arrow)
Important points to note about untreated biohazard bag in the Untreated Biowaste Holding Box

1. Do not overfill biohazard bag
2. Biohazard bag must fully fit inside the box
3. When putting in the biohazard bag, make sure bag is not broken/pierced by the action
4. Lid must be securely fastened and must not be bulging
Clarification and FAQ

1. Does everyone who use the waste autoclave needs to follow this new protocol?
   • No, this only applies to users who have BNL treat their biowaste (Per Bag Recharge Users).
   • Users who are operating the autoclave themselves (Per Run Recharge Users) will still load and start the Tuttnauer autoclave themselves.

2. Why is this new protocol implemented?
   • It is state law that all biohazard waste has to be contained in fully enclosed containers at all time.
   • The previous way of placing the biohazard bags in open trays does not fulfill the requirement.