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Is it a requirement to have red bags in each operator?

Ask OSAP is not in the position to know the requirements in each state. To be in compliance, dental offices should be aware of all requirements governing regulated waste at their location. It is recommended that you contact your state dental board or state department of health - dental program for further information on this topic.

Ask OSAP can provide you with some general information on this topic. *Practical Infection Control In Dentistry*

includes some relevant information which states in part:

Segregate

- To minimize handling and simplify disposal, separate waste at the point of creation.
- Place waste in appropriate containers... ¹

Resources

1) Molinari JA and Harte JA. *Practical Infection Control In Dentistry* – Third Edition. Wolters Kluwer / Lippincott / Williams & Wilkins. Page 264.

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