**Empty Hazardous Material Container Management:**

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| **Empty Container Disposal Table**  |
| **Container type / size**  | **UCSB Hazardous Waste Collection** | **Non-Hazardous:****Place in general solid waste trash bin or recycling bin** | **Return to supplier** |
| Containers that held [**acutely / extremely hazardous**](http://www.ehs.uci.edu/programs/enviro/AcutelyExtremelyHazardousWaste.xls) substances | Requiredor Triple Rinse following Bench Top Treatment Rules | No | No  |
| Glass, plastic, fiber, or metal containers 5 gallons / 20 liters or less | No | **Yes, deface the label.** | No |
| All containers greater than 5 gallons or 20 liters | Required  | No  | No  |
| Aerosol containers | No  | Yes  | No  |
| Lecture bottles and non-refillable cylinders | Required  | No  | No  |
| Compressed gas cylinders (all sizes) | Required, if supplier will not accept returns.  | No  | Yes, if refillable (most lecture bottles are not refillable).  |

To be considered empty:

* Liquid container - no liquid can drain from the container when tilted in any direction (no continuous flow).
* Solid container (powder, sludge, grease, thick resin, crystals, etc.) - the walls of the container must be scraped clean and cannot contain any adhered or encrusted materials.
* Aerosol container - must have its contents and pressure completely dispensed, the spray mechanism in place and functional.