

## Amalgam Waste Recovery Containers

Use approved containers for the recovery of contact and non-contact amalgam waste materials.

Left-over bulk amalgam, spent capsules, and disposable chairside traps and pump filters must be disposed of properly. Stay compliant with local regulations and ADA Best Management Practices by recovering all of your waste amalgam in approved Amalgam Waste Recovery Containers. HealthFirst carries the most cost-effective amalgam waste recovery containers in the industry. In addition, it is the only service that is specifically recommended by ADA Business Resources.

### **Product Portfolio:**

- Meets ADA standards and complies with ANSI 109 requirements
- All waste is properly recycled through a permitted facility
- Containers come in 3 convenient sizes:
- 1.25 Gallon (Item 4102)
- 3.5 Gallon (Item 4103)
- 5 Gallon (Item 4104)

## Acceptable waste items:

- Chairside traps
- Suction pump filters
- Spent amalgam capsules
- Contact or non-contact amalgam
- Extracted teeth with amalgam (disinfected)

Scrap amalgam should NEVER be disposed of in red bags, the garbage, or your sink.

## Just fill it, seal it and return it for treatment!

**OnTraQ** keeps you compliant by providing waste stream task management, online tracking of waste recovery, waste destruction, and archived documentation.







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# ADA Best Management Practices for Amalgam Waste Every Dental Practice Should Know



## **ADA**Business Resources<sup>™</sup>

## **Best Management Practice for Amalgam Waste**

## DO



**Do** use precapsulated alloys and stock a variety of capsule sizes



**Do** recycle used disposable amalgam capsules



**Do** salvage, store and recycle noncontact amalgam (scrap amalgam)





**Do** salvage (contact) amalgam pieces from restorations after removal and recycle the amalgam waste



**Do** use chair-side traps, vacuum pump filters and amalgam separators to retain amalgam and recycle their contents.



**Do** recycle teeth that contain amalgam restorations. (Note: Ask your recycler whether or not extracted teeth with amalgam restorations require disinfection)



**Do** manage amalgam waste through recycling as much as possible



**Do** use line cleaners that minimize dissolution of amalgam

## DON'T

Don't use bulk mercury

**Don't** put used disposable amalgam capsules in biohazard containers, infectious waste containers (red bags) or regular garbage

**Don't** put non-contact amalgam waste in biohazard containers, infectious waste containers (red bags) or regular garbage

**Don't** put contact amalgam waste in biohazard containers, infectious waste containers (red bags) or regular garbage

**Don't** rinse devices containing amalgam over drains or sinks

**Don't** dispose of extracted teeth that contain amalgam restorations in biohazard containers, infectious waste containers (red bags), sharps containers or regular garbage

Don't flush amalgam waste down the drain or toilet

**Don't** use bleach or chlorine-containing cleaners to flush wastewater lines

For additional resources for amalgam waste BMPs, go to www.ada.org and type "Amalgam Waste BMPs" in the search box.