



Biohazard Spill Clean Up Outside of a Biosafety Cabinet



What's a Minor Spill?

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What's a Major Spill?

- An event that **cannot** be handled safely without a assistance from EHS or emergency personnel
- Anytime you or someone else is exposed to hazardous material

Major Spill

1. Avoid inhaling airborne materials while quickly leaving the room - Notify others to leave the room and close the door
2. Post a sign on the door indicating the nature and time of the spill
3. Remove contaminated clothing/PPE
4. Wash all exposed skin with soap and warm water
5. **Notify EHS and/or GT Police**
6. EHS to arrange clean-up

Minor Spill

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2. Post a sign on the door indicating the nature and time of the spill
3. Remove contaminated clothing/PPE
4. Wash all exposed skin with soap and warm water
5. Wait 30 minutes to allow aerosols to settle before entering the spill area for cleaning
6. Don appropriate PPE
7. Cover spill areas with absorbent material
8. Pour liquid disinfectant onto the absorbent material from the outside of the spill area, moving towards the center. Allow for appropriate contact time.
9. Collect absorbent material and dispose of as biohazard waste
10. Spray work surfaces, cabinets and equipment surrounding the spill area with appropriate disinfectant solution and allow for appropriate contact time before wiping up the areas with absorbent materials
11. Remove PPE and wash hands