

# Bags – correct waste segregation



## YELLOW BAGS

Infectious or potentially infectious clinical waste contaminated with chemicals or pharmaceutical / medicinal wastes e.g. medicated dressings, iodine dressings, swabs, wipes contrast media.



## ORANGE BAGS

Infectious or potentially infectious soft clinical waste contaminated with blood/bodily fluids e.g. dressings, swabs, wipes, gloves, gowns, masks, aprons, and blood bags.



## TIGER BAGS

Offensive, non-infectious waste such as nappies and incontinence pads, or soft items contaminated with offensive waste.



## BLACK BAGS

General waste such as flowers, paper hand towels, packaging, newspapers. Do not dispose of clinical waste in domestic waste bags as this can spread disease.



NO FREE LIQUIDS

**Do not** use for the disposal of free liquids.



NO SHARPS

**Do not** use for the disposal of sharps or rigid items likely to puncture the bag.



Bags should be filled **no more** than two thirds full OR to a maximum weight of 8kg, whichever is reached first.



Bags should be sealed at the point of production using the **swan-neck** method.