Equipment Hazard Tag

Communication of Potential Hazards

This tag must be completed and affixed to equipment for any of the following:

- Removal for service or maintenance.
- Relocation or transportation from the area of use.
- Transferred equipment.
- Equipment designated out-of-service.
- Equipment removal for storage, sale, or disposal.

This tag may also be used to identify potential hazards in vacated laboratories or other areas where potential chemicals, biohazardous, or radioactive hazards exist.

Refer to Guidance on Completing the Hazard Tag

A. GENERAL

Date: _______________ Building: _______________ Room #: ____________

Equipment Type: ________________________________________________

Contact Person: ________________________________________________

Phone: _________________ Email: _______________________________

B. ENERGY CONTROL (Lockout)

___ N/A (Equipment has no energy sources)

___ Single Energy Source

___ Multiple Energy Sources (Document procedure required)

C. NO HAZARDS

___ No Hazards (The equipment poses no known or unknown chemical, biological, or radiation hazards.

___ Equipment Hazard Tag is complete – Sign Section G

D. HAZARDS (Before Cleaning/Decontamination)

___ Chemical Hazards – Complete sections F & G

Elements, compounds, or mixtures including products which pose potential physical or health hazards.

___ Biohazards – Complete sections F & G

Infectious agents which present a potential risk or injury, illness, or death.

___ Radioactive Material – Complete sections E, F, & G

Material which by spontaneous disintegration emits potentially harmful rays or atomic particles.

Service or Maintenance Units should have standard operating procedures developed for addressing the hazard classes identified above. Additional information may be obtained from the contact person identified in Section A.

E. LABORATORY RADIATION SUPPORT

- If the item contains a radioactive sealed source, contact the UNO Laboratory Safety Officer at labsafety@uno.edu for proper handling procedures.

- Did the equipment contain a sealed source?

  ___ Yes  ___ No

- If yes, disposition of the source: ___________________________

- Did the equipment come into contact with radioactive materials?

  ___ Yes  ___ No

  *If equipment contained or was in contact with radioactive material:

    o It must be decontaminated (internally and externally).
    o A swipe test and a pancake probe survey shall be performed, if applicable, by lab personnel.
    o The UNO Laboratory Safety Officer should be consulted on how the survey is to be documented and to see if additional actions are needed.

- Are specific procedures necessary for safe handling of equipment?

  ___ Yes  ___ No

    o If specific procedures are necessary for safe handling, they must be attached to the tag and signed by the UNO Laboratory Safety Officer.

UNO Laboratory Safety Officer Signature: ______________________ Date: ______________________

F. EQUIPMENT CLEANING

EQUIPMENT OR ROOM HAS BEEN CLEANED/DECONTAMINATED TO APPROPRIATE LEVELS.

___ Yes  ___ No – If no, note any special instructions in Section G

G. SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS

This equipment is still contaminated or has contaminated material which may be hazardous in extremely small quantities. Special precautions may be required to avoid contamination to other equipment or personnel.

___ N/A or, Provide any special instructions:

_______________________________________________________________

_______________________________________________________________

MOVE FROM: Building: Room: MOVE TO: Building: Room:

Once decontamination by laboratory personnel and a signed certification form is affixed, the laboratory equipment may NOT be used.

Signature of Contact Person: ___________________________ Date: ___________________________

NOTE:

- Equipment Hazard Tag must remain on equipment until returned to service.
- Hazard tags must not be removed from equipment in storage or from equipment which is to be destroyed.