EMERGENCY PROCEDURES FOR BIOHAZARDS

IMPORTANT CONSIDERATIONS FOR BIOLOGICAL SPILLS:

Disinfectant a disinfectant known to be effective must be used

Contact time this depends on the size of the spill and nature of the

biohazard; large spills of Risk Group 2 agents require a

minimum of 20 minutes contact time

Exposure route know the exposure routes of the agent spilled; e.g. does it

infect through inhalation? Is it a bloodborne pathogen?

Viability how viable is the spilled agent on inanimate objects at room

temperature

BASIC SPILL KIT FOR BIOHAZARDS:

Disinfectant

- Paper towels
- Gloves
- Forceps for broken glass
- Biohazard bucket

SMALL SPILLS

- Wear gloves
- Cover spill with paper towels and disinfectant
- Allow sufficient contact time
- Pick up to