

Mercury Thermometer Exchange Program SOP

1. Schedule pick up and drop off via email
2. Go to lab
 - a. See if it is still good timing
 - b. Wearing PPE (long pants, closed toed shoes, safety glasses, lab coat and nitrile gloves)
 - c. Take key, spreadsheet, pail, cell phone for emergencies and new alcohol thermometers
3. Accept intact Hg thermometers, inventory and place directly into vermiculite in pail
4. Provide new alcohol thermometers
5. Question them to see if they have any additional thermometers and ask if they would like you to look for them
6. Seal the pail and remove PPE, return pail to trailer
7. Label pail

Notes:

Do not accept broken mercury thermometers.

April 831.515.9941 or EH&S front desk 831.459.2553

In case of mercury spill or contamination follow instructions:

<http://ehs.ucsc.edu/programs/research-safety/emergencies-spills.html>

Emergencies and chemical spills

Lab spill response guidelines