

Broken Fluorescent Bulb Cleanup Procedures

For breaks on uncarpeted surfaces:

1. Using cardboard and a dustpan, scrape up the broken glass.
2. After all broken glass has been picked up in this manner, use duct tape to pick up any remaining crushed glass pieces that could not be scraped up.
3. After all broken and crushed glass has been removed, use damp paper towels to wipe away any powder residue.
4. Wipe down reusable equipment when cleanup is finished.
5. Deposit all cleanup debris in an accumulation container for hazardous waste if there is one located in the area. When the accumulation container is full, request a waste pickup at www.ehs.iu.edu.
6. If there is not an accumulation container in the area, deposit the cleanup debris in a closed box or bucket so the glass will not cut anyone, label it as "hazardous waste", and request a waste pickup at www.ehs.iu.edu.

For breaks on carpeted surfaces:

1. Using heavy work gloves, as well as cardboard and dustpan if possible, pick up as much broken glass as you safely can.
2. Use duct tape to pick up as much of the rest of the glass and powder residue as you can.
3. If vacuuming appears to be necessary due to heavy pile carpeting, be sure to ventilate the area by opening windows and doors and turning on fans.
4. Do not use a bagless vacuum. Once the cleanup is complete, remove the bag from the vacuum and add it to the cleanup debris.
5. Continue to follow steps 4-6 above.