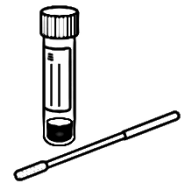
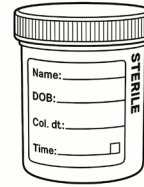


URINE SWAB COLLECTION GUIDE

Kit Contents

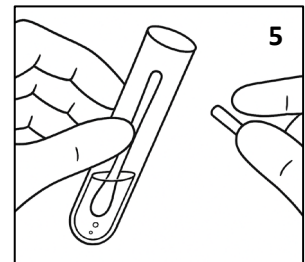
- RNA/DNA Shield Collection Media Tube
- Flocked Swab
- Biohazard Bag with Absorbent Material
- Sterile Urine Collection Cup



COLLECTION INSTRUCTIONS

Important: Use the clean catch method for collecting urine.

- Patient Urine Collection:**
 - a. Wash your hands thoroughly.
 - b. Cleanse the genital area with mild soap and water, pat dry.
 - c. Begin urinating into the toilet, then without stopping, position the sterile urine collection cup and collect the midstream urine. Do not touch the inside of the cup.
 - d. Stop collecting before you finish urinating into the toilet.
- Swab Preparation:**
- Swabbing Urine:** Immerse the swab in the urine, stirring 5 times until it's fully saturated.
- Vial Insertion:** Put the swab back into its media vial, tip first.
- Break Shaft:** Hold the swab near the tube rim. Snap the shaft at the breakpoint, keeping the tube away from your face.
- Seal Vial:** Tighten the cap to prevent leakage.
- Label and Paperwork:**
 - a. Complete test order form (paper or electronic).
 - b. Ensure the tube label matches the order form, with at least 2 unique patient identifiers.



Storage and Transport:

- Transport the specimen to the lab as soon as possible, following all transport protocols for biohazardous materials.
 - Each swab tube must be sealed in its individual biohazard bag with absorbent material.
- Specimens can be stored and transported at Room Temperature.
- Do NOT send urine cup.

Specimen Rejection Criteria

- Leaking or damaged tubes
- Missing test order
- Collection >7 days old
- Improper labeling (must have 2 unique identifiers)
- Incorrect media tubes
- Tubes without swabs