

How to Ship Clinical Samples

Step 1: Tightly close and seal the primary watertight container. Place parafilm around the outside of the lid. **Remove all needles before shipping.**



Step 2: Place absorbent material between the primary and secondary containers. Use enough material to absorb the entire contents of the primary container.



Step 3: Secure the primary container in a secondary container, such as a specimen bag.



Step 4: Paperwork should be stored in the back of the bag if a pocket is present, or in another bag. Paperwork should not be stored in the same compartment as the primary container.



Step 5: In the shipping cooler, add a layer of absorbent material in case of leaks. Wrap the ice pack in packing material. **Trich samples should follow all steps except the inclusion of ice packs.**



Step 6: Wrap the sample in packing material and place it on top of the wrapped ice pack. Place the submission form on top of the packing material if it is separate from the secondary container.

