

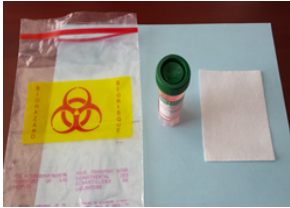


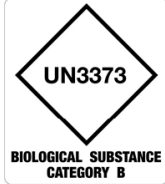
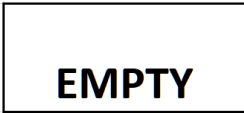
 Shared health Soins communs Manitoba	Job Aid TDG - Specimen Packaging & Transport (non-diagnostic staff)		Document # JA270-40-05
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Step	Action		
1	<p>A primary leak-proof container is placed in a secondary leak-proof container.</p> <p>NOTE: Cytotoxic samples obtained from patients who have received cytotoxic medication in the last 48 hours MUST be labelled with Cytotoxic label and packaged in its own separate secondary container. (zip-lock)</p>	Primary containers 	Secondary Container  Ziplock bag with pouch
2	<p>If there are liquid specimens, absorbent pad(s) MUST be placed in between the primary and secondary containers.</p> <p>Multiple blood samples must be packaged as per each individual collection with the accompanying requisition in the pouch provided.</p>	White Absorbent Material 	
3	<p>The secondary container(s) are placed in a rigid outer packaging container to contain and protect samples.</p> <p>Place an ice pack at the bottom of the shipping container to keep refrigerated samples cool during transport.</p> <p>Room temperature specimens must be packaged separately with no ice pack. Add hot pack during colder months.</p> <p>Fill empty space with packing material to avoid samples from getting tossed around in transport.</p>	Shipping containers options include: Hard wall cooler with straps to secure lid for transport <i>(Replace with Marysys containers as soon as possible)</i> 	
4	<p>The outer container must be labelled with a TDG label (UN3373) Biological Substances, Category B, and a shipping address label to the testing lab site.</p>	<p>The outer packing MUST be label with the TDG Label (UN3373) <i>Biological Substances, Category B</i></p> 	Deliver to: <i>(example)</i> Selkirk Regional Health Center Laboratory 120 Easton Drive, Selkirk MB R1A 2M2
5	<p>The outer shipping container should display an EMPTY tag on return to the sending site with return address label. <i>(UN label does not need to be removed)</i></p>		Deliver to: <i>(example)</i> Milner Ridge Correctional Center