

URINALYSIS AND URINE CULTURE WITH PRESERVATION TUBES

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Required Specimen Type	Midstream Urine
Medical Supplies	 Sterile urine container with transfer port Preservation tube for urinalysis (yellow top) Preservation tube for urine culture (pea green top)
General Guidelines	 All specimens must include a double identification (first and last name of the patient and date of birth or medicare number). The use of gloves is required when handling all biological specimens. A valid requisition must include the following information: First and last name of the patient, date of birth or medicare number and gender. Date and time of specimen collection and signature of collector. Physician's full name, signature and license number (or other qualified prescriber). Any relevant clinical information. Requested tests.
Patient Preparation	 Refer to the urinalysis collection procedure LA-75-WI-125 Refer to the urine culture collection procedure LA-75-WI-130
	 CAUTION: DO NOT REMOVE the protective label from the top of the Urine Collection Cup. There is a sharp needle under the label. Provide the labeled sterile container to the patient to collect the sample. A minimum of 25 mL of urine is required in the container for filling both preservation tubes. Peel back but do not remove the protective sticker to expose the rubber-covered sharp needle, found in the integrated transfer port. If a urine culture is requested, gently push the Culture and Sensitivity Tube with Boric Acid (pea green color top), into the integrated transfer port. *URINE CULTURE TUBE MUST ALWAYS BE FILLED BEFORE THE URINALYSIS TUBE.
Specimen Collection Instructions	 6. Hold in position until flow stops. 7. Remove the preservation tube. Make sure the urine level is above the minimum line, as indicated on the tube's label. 8. Invert the tube 8-10 times to mix the sample, until the white tablet is dissolved.
	 9. Gently push the Urinalysis Tube (yellow top) into the integrated transfer port. 10. Hold in position until flow stops. 11. Remove the preservation tube. Please make sure that the urine level is between the minimum and maximum line.



Step 13

Dispose of urine according to your facility's policy. Dispose the

13. Replace protective sticker back over the integrated transfer port. 14. Remove the lid from the cup and dispose in a sharps collector

collection cup in the garbage.

12. Invert the tube 8-10 times to mix the sample.

Note: The sterile urine container with needle should not be returned to the laboratory in the biohazard bag with the specimen. This container is not meant for transport. You may only send this back if the container is empty. CDL will then dispose the collection container;



SPECIMEN COLLECTION PROCEDURE

	15. Ensure preservation tubes are properly identified prior to transporting to the laboratory.
	The preservation tubes cannot be used for urine biochemistry, chlamydia, gonorrhea or drug of abuse testing.
Additional Information	IMPORTANT REMINDER: A urine mid-stream can never be used for chlamydia or gonorrhea testing, only a separate first stream sample will be accepted.
Specimen Conservation and Stability	 Urine Culture in preservative tube: up to 48 hours room temperature Urinalysis in preservative tube: 72hours room temperature
•	Note: Specimens should be stored in preservation tube to ensure the stability.