Stool Collection Quick Guide for Nursing/Providers



Test and Order	Container/Contents	Storage and Handling
Infectious Stool Panel	Cary Blair with Indicator	Refrigerate
Standard (SSPNL)	(green cap)	Stable 96hrs
Expanded (STLPCR)		
Stool for White Blood Cells	Empty Vial	Refrigerate
LAB731 (FECLAC)	(white cap)	 Stable for 7 days
Giardia/Cryptosporidium	Cary Blair with Indicator	Refrigerate
LAB5043(STLPCR) or	(green cap)	 Stable for 96 hrs
LAB2608 (MISCLM)		
Ova and Parasites	SAF Vial	Room Temperature
LAB258 (SSPARA)	(yellow cap)	 Stable for 7 days
		 Place fresh specimens into preservative with-in 1 hr
Clostridium difficile	Empty Vial	Refrigerate
LAB2162 (SPCRCD)	(white cap)	 Stable for 5 days
Fecal Fat	Empty Vial	Random Specimen
LAB392 (STFATM)	(white cap)	 Refrigerate/Freeze
Fecal Fat—72hr Qual	Obtain Container from	 48-72hr preferred
LAB392 (STFATM)	Reference Lab	 Refrigerate /Freeze
Reducing Substance	Empty Vial	 Aliquot for other tests then freeze
LAB2608 (UREDF)	(white cap)	immediately
Immuno Fecal Occult	FIT Collection Vial or	See FIT kit instructions
LAB4079 (IFOBS3-SCREEN) OR	Empty Vial (white cap)	 If collected in empty vial, must be returned
LAB480 (IFOBD3-DIAGNOSTIC)		to lab within 4hrs
H. pylori Stool Antigen	Empty Vial	Stable 96 hours
LAB 397 (HPYLSA)	(white cap) OR	
	Cary Blair with Indicator	
	(green cap)	
Norovirus	Cary Blair with Indicator	Refrigerate
LAB5043(STLPCR) or	(green cap)	 Stable 96hrs
LAB3410(NVPCR)		
Coccidian Panel	SAF Vial	Refrigerate
LAB2607 (MISCLB)	(yellow cap)	 Stable 96hrs
Rotavirus	Empty Vial	Refrigerate
LAB443 (SROTA)	(white cap)	 Stable for 72 hours

DISCLAIMER: Collection device colors are subject to change. This chart is not inclusive of all testing for organisms (bacterial/viral). Refer to the Clinical Laboratory Manual for latest collection and testing Requirements. M208F2_Microbiology Collection Quick Guide for Nursing, 09/2023