

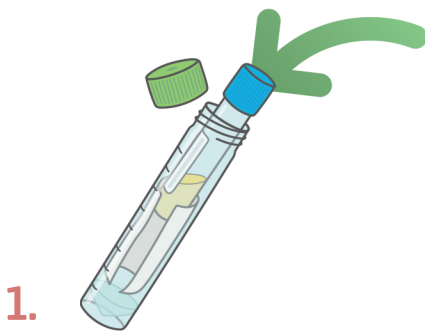
The following instructions apply to **room temperature** samples being shipped to Machaon Diagnostics using our shipping kit, which may be ordered at [machaondiagnosics.com](http://machaondiagnosics.com). Alternatively, you may substitute your own supplies. Please follow the appropriate shipping instructions for the corresponding sample storage conditions.

Please refer to Specimen Processing Instructions for directions on how to process collected samples for serum or plasma, if needed.

## Materials Required:

- Specimen Collection & Shipping kit box
- Collection tube(s) or swab corresponding to the shipping kit
- Aliquot tube(s) - For processed specimens (included in select kits only)
- Test requisition (Please complete)
- Conical tube with absorbent sheet
- FedEx ClinPak with pre-attached shipping label

## ■ Packaging your Sample



**1.** Place the collection tube (if sending whole blood), or processed sample(s) into the conical tube along with the absorbent sheet. All samples must be properly labeled and leak proof. If needed, please use parafilm to secure the cap to the tube and prevent leakage.



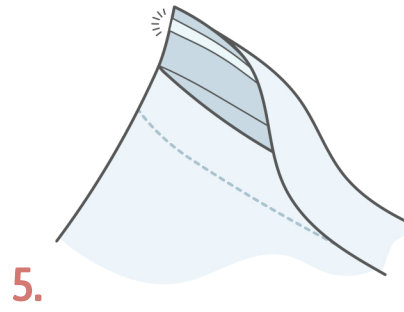
**2.** Place the conical tube containing the collection tube and absorbent sheet into the kit.



**3.** Fold the completed test requisition and place it in the Specimen Collection & Shipping kit box



**4.** Close the kit and place it into the FedEx ClinPak.



**5.** Seal the FedEx ClinPak.



**6.** On the back of the ClinPak, check off the box indicating that the package contains an "Exempt Human Specimen."



**7.** The package is now ready to be shipped. Call FedEx to schedule a pickup.

## Important Note:

When substituting supplies, make sure the shipment meets IATA regulations for packaging of liquid specimens (Dangerous Goods Regulations, 3.6.2.2.3.8). If using a carrier other than FedEx, please follow any specific carrier guidelines for shipping clinical specimens.