

Specimen Collection and Submission Instructions Rubella IgM, EIA (Version 2) Page 1 of 2

Specimen Type	Collection Time	Collection Frequency	Collection Procedures	Transport Media	Shipping & Handling (S&H)**
Blood	Optimal timing depends upon immunization history. Consult with Local Health Jurisdiction .	NA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Collect at least 4 ml of blood in a red top or red-gray top tube. Minimum serum volume: 1 ml. 	NA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Transport device: Red top or red-gray top tube. Transport: Refrigerate and ship cold (2-8°C) on ice packs to arrive at WAPHL during business hours within one week of collection. If previously frozen, ship on dry ice. Ship as Category B. Storage: Refrigerate at 2-8°C up to one week after collection. For long-term storage, freeze at -20°C. Rejection Criteria: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Improper timing of specimen collection. Missing requisition form. No submitter information on form. Specimen is excessively hemolyzed or lipemic. Missing collection date. Missing immunization status of patient. Refer to general rejection criteria on page 2.
Serum*					

General Rejection Criteria (for additional details, see S&H)

- Unaccepted specimen type.
- Not refrigerated or frozen properly.
- Insufficient specimen volume.
- Leaky specimen.
- Did not obtain LHJ approval.
- Failure to follow specific S&H requirements.

NOTE:

Specimens will not be processed until ALL of the following information are provided on requisition form:

- Patient name, patient's county of residence, second identifier, and date of onset.
- Two matching identifiers on both the tube and the laboratory requisition form.
- Specimen type, date of collection, and test requested.
- Submitter name, address, and telephone/FAX numbers.

Collection kit availability

Not available.

Comments