

Faeces Enteric Bacteriology Kit

Instructions for the use of the FAECES ENTERIC kit for the collection and transportation of clinical specimens for bacterial testing.

The Faeces Enteric kit consists of: one 30mL Cary-Blair vial, one biohazard bag and a public health laboratory General Test Requisition.

SPECIMEN COLLECTION - Faeces specimens that have been in contact with water in toilet are unacceptable.

1. Collect faeces in a dry container or onto paper which can be flushed into toilet.
2. Using the spoon provided, select 2-3 spoonfuls of faeces, touching areas of blood, mucus and pus.
3. Mix into transport media (jelly-like material) and replace cap securely.
4. Label specimen container with patient's full name and a second unique identifier (e.g. accession number, date of birth, Health No.).
Note: Specimens received not including the patient's full name and a second unique identifier will not be processed by the laboratory.
5. Place the specimen in the biohazard bag and seal the bag.
6. Complete the enclosed test requisition including patient's full name, date of birth, Health No., PHL test code for test requested, source of specimen, collection date, and clinical diagnosis/symptoms/onset date.
7. Insert the completed test requisition in the pocket on the outside of the biohazard bag. Do not place the test requisition inside the bag with the specimen.

STORAGE and TRANSPORT - Kits can be stored at room temperature until used. After collection, refrigerate immediately (do not freeze). Transport to the Laboratory as soon as possible. **DO NOT USE EXPIRED KITS.**

TO ORDER KITS or INFORMATION: Contact OAHPP order desk, Public Health Laboratory Toronto @ 416 235-5937 or order by fax @ 416 235-5753 or your local Public Health Laboratory.