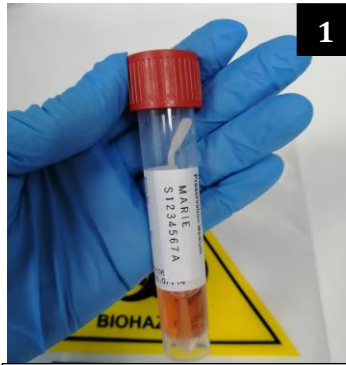


COVID-19 Specimen Packaging & Transportation Guidelines



After swab collection, ensure the UTM is tightly capped to prevent leakage.



Place the **labelled UTM individually** inside a **zip lock bag** as the primary receptacle and ensure the bag is well sealed.



Place the **packed UTM in a second zip lock bag** and ensure the bag is well sealed.

Fill in all the **mandatory fields** on Molecular Lab Request Form.



Place the completed request form in the side pouch of the outermost secondary ziplock bag.



Place the **sealed secondary ziplock bag(s)** in a **rigid outer container**, with the sample quantity written on the cap.

7 Contact PATHLAB for collection of specimen(s) and hand the container to the despatch. Samples taken after despatch hours shall be **stored overnight at 2-8°C** for collection the next working day.

Request test	EXPRESS COVID-19 PCR PDT Test		COVID-19 PCR Test & PDT	
Turnaround time	within 12 hours		within 24 hours	
	<i>*Upon sample arrival at the laboratory</i>			
Specimen Cut-Off Collection Time	Mon - Fri	Sat	Mon- Fri	Sat
	BEFORE 11.30AM	BEFORE 1PM	BEFORE 5PM	BEFORE 1PM

* Orderable for MOH approved swab providers only

* Clinics to ensure the patient's flight departure date and time are stated on the lab request form.

Please do not hesitate to contact us at **(65) 6742 9011** or enquiry@pathlabs.com.sg if you need any further information.