

BLOOD SERVICES UPDATE

June 13, 2016

Monthly Shipping Temperature Verification

One of the quality monitors we have in place in Distribution is to verify shipping temperatures monthly with our hospitals. In order to do that accurately, we must have at least two units in the box to verify the temperature. Beginning July 1st, in the event that there is only one unit in a given shipment, you may see a “dummy” bag (filled with saline) as the second product. On the Monthly Shipping Temperature Log Sheet for the “Product Shipped”, our associates will write “dummy” and the receiving hospital should document “NA” for the temperature. Please see the reverse side for reference. You may then leave the saline filled dummy product in the box to be returned to us with the completed Log Sheet and thermometer.

Karen Smith, Manager of Production and Hospital Services, can be reached at (317) 916-5274 or ksmith@indianablood.org with any questions regarding this update.

Thank you for your continued support of Indiana Blood Center.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION
For the blood bank customers of



INDIANA BLOOD CENTER,
INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA 46208

MONTHLY SHIPPING TEMPERATURE LOG SHEET

HOSPITAL/SUBSTATION DISTRIBUTION DEPARTMENT _____

Instructions for Receiver:

For RBCs and Platelets-Read and record temp & indicate (A) acceptable or (U) unacceptable.
For Frozen-Observe amount of dry ice present & indicate (A) acceptable or (U) unacceptable.

Type of Product	(A) Acceptable	(U) Unacceptable
Frozen	Dry ice is equal volume of components shipped	Less than the volume of components shipped
RBCs	1.0°C -10.0 °C	<1.0°C or >10.0°C
Platelets	20.0°C-24.0°C	<20.0°C or >24.0°C

If temperature is unacceptable, immediately contact IBC Distribution Department and quarantine the products.
Return form and thermometer to the Indiana Blood Center with the next delivery.

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DATE	TIME PACKED	PACKED BY	PRODUCT SHIPPED	THERM ID	TEMP	ACCEPT	RECV INITIALS	COMMENTS	DEPT REV	QA REV
4/9/16	1156	mms	RBC's	01234	5.0°C	(A) U	ABC			
4/9/16	1156	mms	Dummy	NA	NA	(A) U	NA			
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