

DONOR SPECIMEN SHIPMENT INFORMATION FOR THE PATIENT

SHIPPING:

Origin Sperm Bank (Origin) ships all Donor specimens using cryogenic vapour shipping tanks. These shippers are designed for the safe transportation of biological specimens at the temperature of liquid nitrogen (-196°C/-321°F). No free-standing liquid nitrogen is required to be present in the shipper, and they are not classified as a dangerous good. A properly sealed vapour shipper will effectively maintain the specimens for up to 5 days from the date of shipment, but is not intended to be used as a long-term storage tank. Please see the information below for Vial Returns if the shipped specimens are not used during your cycle. All shipments sent by local courier or Federal Express have been prepaid round-trip by you or your physician.

VIAL RETURNS:

If you are unable to use your specimens within 5 days of shipment, your physician may be able to offer you storage at his/her office, or the specimens may be returned to Origin for your storage as a “Vial Return”. Vial Returns will be stored for you in reservation at Origin until you request reshipment. They will not be refunded to you, or shipped to any other patient. Please note that reshipment **MUST** be to the physician to whom the vials were originally shipped, and that quality guarantees do not apply to these specimens. While in storage at Origin, storage fees will apply, as well as administrative fees for reshipment. Please refer to Storage Agreement for terms and conditions of storage.

RESERVATIONS:

If available, specimens may be pre-purchased in advance and stored at Origin until you request shipment. Storage fees will apply. Reservations are recommended for patients using Donors with unpredictable availability, or if you are considering a future sibling pregnancy. Refunds may be issued for unused specimens at the sole discretion of Origin.

PREGNANCY SURVEY:

Origin uses this information to track the number of pregnancies for Donors in compliance with recommendations by international reproductive societies and standards. Please complete this form and return to Origin. Also, ask Origin or your physician for a Live Birth Card when you receive confirmation of pregnancy. Please mail this Card to Origin when your child is born. We are always delighted to hear of patient success.