



Stool SAF collection

Caution: The fluid in the specimen container is SAF (sodium acetate-acetic acid-formalin). Avoid skin or eye contact, vapour inhalation and ingestion. In the case of skin or eye contact, flush continuously with running water. If swallowed, please seek medical assistance.

1. Place the toilet liner provided into the toilet.
2. Pass faeces onto the liner. Do not pass the stool into the water in the toilet or directly into the specimen container.
3. Open the yellow top tube and, using the plastic spoon in the lid, place small scoops of faeces into the container. Take a sample from more than one area of the stool. Continue to do this until the fluid is level with the black arrow on the upper part of the tube.

4. Mix the contents of the tube with the spoon, close the vial tightly and shake it vigorously until it is well mixed.
5. Label the tube with the identification information requested.
6. Place the tube back into the plastic specimen bag that you received the tube in.
7. Return the yellow top tube to your doctor, the laboratory or a collection centre.



Note: If your doctor has also requested a faeces culture (brown top jar), you may use the same stool specimen for the yellow top collection and the brown top collection. Please take the sample for the brown top container first, following the instructions provided for each container type.