

CHECKLIST

for storage, handling, and preparation of the Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine

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Change Log

Version	History of Changes
01	Initial version

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Storage and Handling of the Vaccine and Thermal Shipping Container

Review the following instructional materials on www.cvdvaccine.com:

- Fact Sheet for Healthcare Providers Administering Vaccine (Vaccination Providers)
- Full EUA Prescribing Information
- Storage and Handling Video
- Preparation and Administration Video
- The S.T.E.P.S. to Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccination Infographic
- Dry Ice Replenishment Requirements
- Returning the Thermal Shipping Container Video
- Thermal Shipping Container Return Instructions
- ULT Vendor List
- Dry Ice Vendor List

Materials checklist for storage and handling:

- Safety goggles or safety glasses with side shields
 - Waterproof insulated gloves
 - Box cutter or tool to open box
 - Hand truck or dolly to move the thermal shipping container, which can weigh up to 36.5 kg (81 lb)
 - Ultra-low-temperature (ULT) freezer (if possible)
- If using the thermal shipping container as temporary storage:**
- Identify dry ice supply (ice pellets 10-16 mm, for re-icing)
 - Dry ice scoop
 - Temperature-monitoring device
 - Packing tape or equivalent

Before receiving the thermal shipping container, you must have:

- A well-ventilated room set up to safely handle the thermal shipping container and dry ice
- An appropriate area for discarding dry ice so it can sublime from a solid to a gas
- A method for tracking to ensure the re-icing protocol is being followed (if using the thermal shipping container as temporary storage)
- Proper security so only authorized personnel can access the thermal shipping container contents
- Access to an occupational health department that can be consulted to ensure appropriate safeguards

Thawing, Dilution, and Preparation

Materials checklist for vaccine preparation:

- Refrigerator (for thawing and to maintain thawed vaccine vials at a temperature of 2°C to 8°C [35°F to 46°F])
- 3-mL or 5-mL syringe (for dilution)
- 21-gauge or narrower needle (for dilution)
- 1-mL Luer-lock syringe (for administration) and needles appropriate for intramuscular injection
- Personal protective equipment (including gloves that allow manual dexterity)
- Vials of 0.9% Sodium Chloride Injection, USP (for one-time use)
- Vaccine vials
- Antiseptic swabs
- Sharps container for disposal

Please see Fact Sheet for Healthcare Providers Administering Vaccine (Vaccination Providers) and Full EUA Prescribing Information at www.cvdvaccine.com

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