Storage and Handling instructions

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COVID-19 Vaccine

PAHO Pan American Health Organization World Health Organization
Storage FREEZING

Store frozen, without exceeding the expiration date between the indicated temperature ranges, in its original packaging to protect from light.

If the vaccine has a QR code on its container, scan to get updated information on its validity.

**Warning**

- Between -25°C and -15°C
- -13°F and -5°F
- No less than -40°C
- -40°F
- Protect from light
Storage

**REFRIGERATION**

Store in refrigerator between ranges of temperature indicated for up to 4.5 months, without exceeding the expiration date, and keep the vaccine in its original packaging to protect from light.

**Do not refreeze.**

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**Warning**

Between 2°C and 8°C

36°F and 46°F

Up to 4.5 months without exceeding expiration date

**Do not freeze**

**Protect from light**

**Thermal Container**

**Refrigerator**

**Recyclable Ice**

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Thawing

In case of immediate use, thaw at temperatures up to 25°C. A box of 10 vials will take approximately 2 hours to thaw. Individual vials will take approximately 1 hour to thaw.

When refrigerated, a box of 10 vials may take approximately 12 hours to thaw, and individual vials may take up to 2 hours.

Warning
Do not refreeze
Invert

Gently invert the vaccine vial, 1 time, for 10 seconds to homogenize the contents.

Do not shake it.

The vaccine should appear as colorless to slightly yellow, clear to very opalescent suspension.

Discard the vaccine if it shows visible particulates or a change in color.

Do not dilute.

10s

Repetition 1 time for 10 seconds

Room temperature

Discard if there are particulates or color changes

Do not shake

Warning
Administration

Using aseptic technique, withdraw the 0.5 mL dose from the vial with a 3mL Reuse Prevention Syringe (RUP) and an intramuscular injection needle, 23G x 1" (0.60 x 25 mm). Administer the vaccine by intramuscular injection into the deltoid muscle.

**Do not administer if the dose is incorrect, if there is discoloration or if there are visible particulates.**

Do not use the remaining volume of several vials to complete a dose.

Remember to record, in a clear way, the name and lot number of the administered product.

- **0.5 ml**
- **Inject into Deltoid muscle**
- **Discard**
  - Do not administer if the dose is incorrect, if there is discoloration or if there are visible particulates.
Vial in use

After the first puncture of the vaccine vial, the vaccine can be maintained between 2°C to 8°C (36°F to 46°F) for up to 6 hours, or at room temperature (maximum 25°C [77°F] for a single period of up to 3 hours.

Do not freeze.
The date and time of the vial opening must be recorded.
Disposal of syringes

- Without recapping the needle, dispose of the contaminated syringe in a medical waste safety box or a protected sharps disposal container.
- Do not fill the safety box with more than 3/4 of its capacity or up to the red line marked on the container.
- Seal the safety box before transporting it to the disposal site.
- Follow national legislation and rules on disposal.
**Disposal of vials**

- Used vials and not used vials due to expiration date, heat exposed, discoloration or presence of foreign particulates should be disposed of in a red bag or in biohazard waste containers.

- Containers must be sealed before being transported to the disposal site.

- Follow national legislation and rules on disposal.

- Vials with remaining volume should be discarded.

- To prevent the discarded vials from being recovered, they must be safely disposed of at the site of use; or reverse logistics must be applied so that the vials are transferred to the place established for their elimination. If not, consider the possibility of having the discarded vaccine vials destroyed or crushed, if a safe way of doing so is available.
Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) Disposal

- PPE includes gloves, aprons and gowns, masks and face shields in the form of single-use goggles or face shields
- Staff must use a different room other than the vaccination room to remove used PPE
- There are special procedures for removing PPE. After the PPE has been safely removed, dispose of it in a special waste container or bag.
- Follow national legislation and rules on disposal
- Remember to wash your hands after removing all PPE