

CHECKLIST

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

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The Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine has not been approved or licensed by FDA, but has been authorized for emergency use by FDA under an Emergency Use Authorization to prevent Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) for use in individuals 16 years of age and older. The emergency use of this product is only authorized for the duration of the declaration that circumstances exist justifying the authorization of emergency use of the medical product under Section 564(b)(1) of the FD&C Act unless the declaration is terminated or authorization revoked sooner.

Please see Emergency Use Authorization (EUA) Fact Sheet for Healthcare Providers Administering Vaccine (Vaccination Providers) including Full EUA Prescribing Information available at www.cvdvaccine.com.



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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 Poster
- Dry Ice Replenishment Instructions
- 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

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