

Cancellation Rules - Specimens Maximum Hours from Collection to Testing Guidelines

Laboratory Test and Specimen	Maximum number of hours from collection to testing
ABO/Rh	24 hours
Activated Protein C Resistance	6 hours
Antithrombin	6 hours
Anti-Xa	6 hours
Complete Blood Count	24 hours
D-Dimer	6 hours
Direct Antiglobulin	24 hours
Erythrocyte Sedimentation Rate	10 hours
Factor II	6 hours
Factor IX	6 hours
Factor V	6 hours
Factor VII	6 hours
Factor VIII	6 hours
Factor X	6 hours
Factor XI	6 hours
Factor XII	6 hours
Fibrinogen	6 hours
Heparin Induced Thrombocytopenia	6 hours
Homocysteine - Plasma	Separated within 1 hour and ship frozen
Lupus anticoagulant	6 hours
Link to Microbiology Tests: Provincial Microbiology Users Manual	
Partial Thromboplastin Time Dade (PTT Dade)	6 hours
Partial Thromboplastin Time (PTT) Patient not on heparin	18 hours
Partial Thromboplastin Time (PTT) Patient on heparin	4 hours
Partial Thromboplastin Time 50% Correction (PTT 50)	6 hours
Platelet Aggregation	4 hours
Platelet Function Assay	4 hours
Protein C	6 hours
Protein S	6 hours
Prothrombin Time (PT\INR)	24 hours
Prothrombin Time 50% Correction (PT 50)	6 hours
T Cell Subsets	24 hours
Thrombin Time	6 hours
Type & Screen	24 hours
Urinalysis	8 hours