QuantiFERON® – TB Gold (QFT)

POST-COLLECTION TIPS FOR TEST **NO. 182873**

Five Key Requirements for QuantiFERON Specimens:

1. Follow collection instructions provided in QFT collection kit.
2. **IMPORTANT:** Must be received at the lab **within 14 hours of collection.**
3. QFT kits are considered **"priority"** specimens.
4. Each kit must be placed in a separate bag with **date and time of collection stated on the box** and on the requisition form. Place the green **QuantiFERON label** on the bag.
5. Do **not** refrigerate or centrifuge. QFT must be maintained at room temperature.

To request pick-ups for QuantiFERON specimens:

- Do **not** call for a STAT pick-up
- Call **800-631-5250,** press **Option 3** for Specimen pick-up. Let them know you have a QuantiFERON specimen to be picked up and give the date and time of collection. A Customer Support Representative will enter that information into the pickup Portal.
- Logistics will then dispatch the appropriate courier, understanding the 14-hour commitment for lab delivery.



Labeling Reminders

- Label each of the 3 tubes and the QFT box with patient name and date of birth.
- Check for "expiration date" on box. **NOTE:** Expired QFT kits will not be processed.
- Include date and time of collection on the request form **AND** on the QFT box to prevent delays in testing and reporting.



- To better track the QuantiFERON specimens, place the green QuantiFERON label (order # 9220) on the QuantiFERON bag. The label will alert the courier to ensure that the sample is processed as a "priority" at the branch location or Raritan processing.

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