

# FILE DEFINITION TEST CHANGE

Notification Date: March 29, 2021 Effective Date: April 29, 2021

# pH, 24 Hour, Urine

Test ID: UPH24

**Explanation:** On the effective date, reporting name, specimen required, days and times performed and result codes will be updated as indicated below.

## **Current Reporting Name**

pH, Urine 24 Hour

#### **Current Specimen Required**

Supplies: Diazolidinyl Urea (Germall) 5.0 mL (T822)

Container/Tube: Plastic, 10-mL urine tube (T068) or

a clean, plastic aliquot container

Specimen Volume: 10 mL

#### **Collection Instructions:**

- 1. Collect urine for 24 hours.
- 2. Add 5 mL of diazolidinyl urea as preservative at start of collection **or** refrigerate specimen during and after collection.
- 3. Refrigerate specimen within 4 hours of completion of 24-hour collection.

## **Urine Preservative Collection Options**

**Note:** The addition of preservative or application of temperature controls **must occur within 4 hours of completion** of the collection

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Ambient	No	
Refrigerate	OK	
Frozen	OK	
50% Acetic Acid	No	
Boric Acid	No	
Diazolidinyl Urea	Preferred	
6M Hydrochloric Acid	No	
6M Nitric Acid	No	
Sodium Carbonate	No	
Thymol	OK	
Toluene	No	

# **New Reporting Name**

pH, 24 HR, U

#### **New Specimen Required**

#### Supplies:

Diazolidinyl Urea (Germall), 5.0 mL (T822) Urine Tubes, 10 mL (T068)

Container/Tube: Plastic, 10-mL urine tube or a

clean, plastic aliquot container

Specimen Volume: 10 mL

#### **Collection Instructions:**

- 1. Collect urine for 24 hours
- 2. Add 5 mL of diazolidinyl urea as preservative at start of collection **or** refrigerate specimen during and after collection.
- 3. Specimen pH should be between 4.5 and 8 and will stay in this range if kept refrigerated. Specimens with pH >8 indicate bacterial contamination, and testing will be cancelled. Do not attempt to adjust pH as it will adversely affect results.

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Current Days and Times Performed
Monday through Saturday; 6:30 am - 5:00 pm

New Days and Times Performed	
Monday through Sunday; continuously	

Current Result Codes		
Result ID	Reporting Name	
PH24	pH, Urine 24 Hour	
TM90	Collection Duration	
VL72	Volume	

New Result Codes		
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# Questions

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