



Omaha Metropolitan Healthcare Coalition COVID-19 Vaccine Quick Reference Storage and Handling Guide



Storage and Handling		Moderna (Spikeva	x [mRNA-1273]) ¹⁻⁷	and Evidence-Based Practice		
Dry ice	Do not use		i i			
Freezer storage	-50°C to -15°C; Do not store below -50°C					
	Keep in original packaging; Protect from light until ready to use					
Refrigerator storage	2°C to 8°C for up to 30 days					
Refrigerator thawing	Magenta/Teal/Purple Label vials:					
	Thaw between 2°C to 8°C for 2 hours. Let each vial stand at room temperature for 15 mins before administering. Light Blue Label vials:					
	5.5 mL (Max 11 Dose) Vial: Thaw at 2°C to 8°C for 2.5 hours					
	 7.5 mL (Max 15 Dose) Vial: Thaw at 2°C to 8°C for 3 hours After thawing, let each vial stand at room temperature for 15 minutes prior to administering. 					
Room temperature thawing	Magenta/Teal/Purple Label vials:					
	 Thaw between 15°C to 25°C for 45 mins Unpunctured vials may be stored at 8°C to 25°C for up to 24 hrs. 					
	Light Blue Label vials:					
	 5.5 mL vial (Max 11 Dose) Vial: Thaw at 15°C to 25°C for 1 hour 7.5 mL (Max 15 Dose) Vial: Thaw at 15°C to 25°C for 90 mins Unpunctured vials may be stored at 8°C to 25°C for up to 24 hrs. 					
In vial	Stable for up to 12 hours from initial vial pie					
In syringe	·	ncture (labeling and time stamp recommended)				
	Store in refrigerator (2°C to 8°C) or at room	temperature (15°C to 25°C)				
	Keep out of direct sunlight					
FDA status	FDA-approved EUA:					
		Primary 2-dose series in individuals 6 months thro				
	individuals age ≥ 18 years • Three-dose primary series for certain immunocompromised patients age 6 months or older • First booster for individuals ≥ 18 years who have received primary series with Moderna or another authorized/approved COVID19 vaccine					
		second booster for individuals age ≥ 50 years or ce	ertain immunocompromised ≥ 18 years			
Age minimum	• 6 months					
Dose	• 0.5 mL for ≥ 12 years (Light Blue Label)					
	0.5 mL for 6-11 years (Purple* or Teal Label); *Purple label vial states on vial "BOOSTER DOSES ONLY" but it may be used for primary dose series for individuals.					
D	0.25 mL 6 months to 5 years (Magenta Labe	4)				
Dose interval dose 1 to 2	• 4 weeks	204				
		2 nd dose is authorized in patients (≥ 6 months) wh	o have undergone solid organ transplant or are d	lagnosed with conditions considered to have an		
Booster dose	equivalent level of immunocompromised					
Booster dose	0.25 mL (Light Blue Label) 0.5 mL (Purple Label)					
	Only for ≥ 18 years old					
Booster dose interval (after	At least 5 months after primary series					
receiving primary series)	 A 2nd booster may be given ≥ 4 months after 1st booster for individuals ≥ 50 years old and certain immunocompromised adults ≥ 18 years old 					
Dilution required?	A 2nd booster may be given 24 months after 1st booster for individuals 2 50 years old and certain infindincompromised adults 2 16 years old DO NOT DILUTE					
Additional instructions		h withdrawal Do not shake				
	 Swirl gently after thawing and between each withdrawal. Do not shake. Pierce stopper at different site each time; Do not puncture individual vial stopper more than 20 times. 					
# of primary series doses/vial	Friede stopper at different site each time, bo not puncture maintain stopper more than 20 times. 5-15 (depends on vial size)					
Vial types and # of full doses	Magenta Label and Dark Blue Cap vial	Teal Label and Dark Blue Cap vial	Purple Label and Dark Blue Cap vial	Light Blue Label and Red Cap vial		
per vial based on experience	10 doses	10 doses	5 doses	11-Dose vial (10-11 doses) NDC 80777-273-99;		
·	NDC 80777-279-99	NDC 80777-277-99	NDC 80777-275-05	15-Dose vial (13-15 doses) NDC 80777-273-98		
Determining number of vials to	Example Calculation:					
thaw	the refrigerator. Consider no shows and viais currently stored and/or thawing in 609 vaccinations scheduled*1 (100% show rate)/10 = 60.9 vials (round up)					
	= Po1 − 2 vials from previous clinic − 10 vials thawing in reingerator = remove 49 vials from freezer			9 vials from freezer		
Additional Information	Call Moderna Medical Information: 1-866-66	53-3762				

Storage and Handling	Pfizer-BioNTech (Comirnaty [BNT162b2])8-15				
Dry ice	Thermal shipping container may be used a				
Freezer storage	 Thermal shipping container may be used as temporary storage for up to 30 days from delivery with proper dry ice replenishment. -90°C to -60°C until expiration date; Keep in original packaging and protect from light until ready to use 				
Treezer storage	• Purple cap vials may be stored at -25°C to -15°C for up to 2 weeks, and then may be returned one-time to -90°C to -60°C storage (track storage time/temperature)				
	• Do Not Store Gray/Orange/Maroon vials in freezer (-25°C to -15°C).				
	Vials expire 12 months from manufactured				
Refrigerator storage	2°C to 8°C for up to 1 month for Purple cap vials and 10 weeks for Gray/Orange/Maroon cap vials				
	· ·	exposure to direct sunlight/ultraviolet light	·		
Refrigerator thawing	Thaw in refrigerator (2°C to 8°C); may take	e up to 6 hours depending on cap vial color and	d/or number of vials		
	Vials that require dilution must be at room temperature at least 30 minutes prior to diluting				
Room temperature thawing	Thaw at room temperature (up to 25°C) for 30 minutes				
	Vials that require dilution must be at room temperature for 30 minutes prior to diluting				
	Purple cap vials must be diluted within 2 hours of reaching room temperature				
		tored at room temperature (8°C to 25°C) for 12			
In vial	Purple cap vials Gray/Orange/Maroon cap vials				
	Stable for up to 6 hours from dilution at 2°	'C to 25°C; Discard after 6 hours		ilution at 2°C to 25°C; Discard after 12 hours	
In syringe	Purple cap vials	200 to 2000 to 200 in made and a made and	Gray/Orange cap vials	::	
	Stable for up to 24 hours from dilution at 2 polygrapylane syringes with stainless stae		•	ilution at 2°C to 30°C ± 2°C in polycarbonate and polypropylene	
	polypropylene syringes with stainless stee room temperature (up to 30°C) and remai		30°C) and remainder in refrigera	dles, with no more than 12 hours at room temperature (up to	
	room temperature (up to 30 c) and remai	ilder in Terrigerator (2 C to 8 C)	MAROON cap: use immediately	tor (2 C to 6 C)	
FDA status	FDA-approved EUA:		co. cap. acccaracty		
	Primary two-dose series in		ary series dose in 5+ years with certain in	mmunocompromising conditions; booster dose	
	individuals age ≥ 16 years • Primary 3 dose series for 6 months to < 5 years;				
	 Children who will turn from 4 years to 5 years of age between any 2 doses in the primary series may receive: 				
				r use in individuals 5 through 11 years of age OR	
		 3-dose primary series initiated with the 	Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine auth	orized for use in individuals 6 months through 4 years	
Age minimum	6 months				
Dose	 0.3 mL for 12+ years (Purple or Gray cap vial) 0.2 mL for 5-11 years (Orange cap vial) 				
D : :	0.2 mL for 6 months to < 5 years (Maroon cap vial)				
Dose interval dose 1 to 2		e 6 months to < 5 years (Maroon cap vial): ≥ 5 years 2 years			
	•	3 weeks apart between doses 1 and 2 • 3 rd primary series dose ≥ 28 days after the 2 nd dose is authorized in patients (≥ 5 years) who have undergone solid organ transplan			
	Dose 3 at least 8 weeks after dose 2				
Booster dose	0.3 mL (for 12+ years only) (Purple or Gray)		icions considered to have an equivalent	ever or immunocompromised	
	0.2 mL (for 5-11 years only) (Orange cap v				
Booster dose interval (after	At least 5 months after primary series	,			
receiving primary series)	A 2 nd booster may be given ≥ 4 months after 1 st booster for individuals ≥ 50 years old and certain immunocompromised patients ≥ 12 years old (Purple or Gray cap vial)				
Dilution required?	PURPLE cap and label vial	GRAY cap and label vial	ORANGE cap and label vial	MAROON cap and label vial	
Additional instructions	• DILUTE	DO NOT DILUTE	DILUTE	• DILUTE	
	 After vial reaches room temperature 	 Before withdrawing each dose of 	After vial reaches room	Each vial must be thawed before dilution either in the	
	invert vial 10 times; dilute with 1.8 mL of	vaccine, carefully mix by inverting	temperature invert vial 10	refrigerator (2 °C to 8 °C) or at room temperature (up to	
	<u>Preservative-Free</u> 0.9% NS and remove	vaccine vial gently 10 times. <u>Do not</u>	times; dilute with 1.3 mL of	25 °C)	
	1.8 mL of air from vial; invert vial 10	shake.	Preservative-Free 0.9% NS and	Mix by gently inverting vial 10 times. <u>Do not shake</u> .	
	times. <u>Do not shake.</u> Must be diluted within 2 hours of		remove 1.3 mL of air from vial; invert vial 10 times. Do not	Dilute the vial contents using 2.2 mL of sterile 0.9% NS and remove 3.2 mL air from vial	
	reaching room temperature		shake.	 and remove 2.2 mL air from vial. Gently invert the vial 10 times to mix; Do not shake. 	
Vial types and # of full doses	PURPLE cap and label vial	GRAY cap and label vial	ORANGE cap and label vial	MAROON cap and label vial	
per vial based on experience	6-7 doses	6-7 doses	10 doses	10 doses	
	NDC 59267-1000-3; 59267-1000-2	NDC 59267-1025-4; 59267-1025-3	NDC 59267-1055-4	NDC 59267-0078-4	
Determining # of vials to thaw	Consider 'no shows' and vials currently sto	•			
	thawing in the frig. <u>Example Calculation:</u>				
	• If using low dead-volume syringes with pre-attached needles, 6-7 doses can usually be obtained from the 6-dose 111 − 2 vials from previous clinic − 2 vials thawing in refrigerator = remove 109 vials from freezer				
1	vial. If not, the average # of full-doses/vial	is ~5.4			
Additional Information	Call Pfizer Medical Information: 1-800-438				

Storage and Handling	Janssen Biotech (JNJ-78436735) ¹⁶⁻¹⁸	Novavax, Adjuvanted ¹⁹⁻²¹		
Dry ice	Do not use; not stored frozen	Do not use; not stored frozen		
Freezer storage	Do not store frozen	Do NOT store frozen		
Refrigerator storage	• 2°C to 8°C	• 2°C to 8°C		
	Protect from light. Do not store frozen.	Protect from light. Do not store frozen.		
Refrigerator thawing	 Vaccine is initially stored frozen by the manufacturer, then shipped at 2°C to 8°C. If vaccine is still frozen upon receipt, thaw at 2°C to 8°C. 	N/A: Vials are stored refrigerated, no need to thaw		
Room temperature thawing	 If needed immediately, thaw at room temperature (max 25°C). At room temperature, a carton of 10 vials will take ~4 hours to thaw, and an individual vial will take ~1 hour to thaw. 	N/A: Vials are stored refrigerated, no need to thaw		
In vial	 Unpunctured vials may be stored between 9°C to 25°C for up to 12 hours. Stable for up to 6 hours from first puncture at 2°C to 8°C or up to 2 hours at room temp (max 25°C) Discard vial if not used within these times 	 After first needle puncture, store between 2°C to 25°C for up to 6 hours Discard vial 6 hours after first needle puncture 		
In syringe	Filled syringes stable for up to 6 hours stored in refrigerator (2°C to 8°C) or 2 hours stored at room temperature (max 25°C) after first vial puncture	2°C to 25°C for up to 6 hours		
FDA status	• EUA	EUA: two-dose primary series		
Age minimum	18 years	• 18 years		
Dose	• 0.5 mL	• 0.5 mL		
Dose interval dose 1 to 2	N/A; Single dose	3 weeks apart		
Booster dose	0.5 mL; Moderna or Pfizer-BioNTech as a booster dose is preferred to Janssen in most situations	• N/A		
Booster dose interval	At least 2 months after primary series	• N/A		
Dilution required? Additional instructions	DO NOT DILUTE Before withdrawing each dose of vaccine, carefully mix the contents of the multi-dose vial by swirling gently in an upright position for 10 seconds. Do not shake.	DO NOT DILUTE Gently swirl vial before each dose withdrawal. Do not shake.		
# of primary series doses/vial	• 5 doses/vial (NDC 59676-580-15)	• 10 doses/vial (NDC 80631-100-01)		
Determining # of vials to thaw	Vials are stored refrigerated, no need to thaw	Vials are stored refrigerated, no need to thaw		
Additional Information	Call Janssen Medical Information: 1-800-565-4008	Call Novavax Medical Information: 1-844-668-2829		
NOTES FOR ALL COVID-19 VACCINES	 Never refreeze vaccines after thawing. CDC states that pre-drawing vaccines may result in waste if more are drawn up than necessary, so they state that vaccines should be drawn only in preparation for immediate administration. Do not pool excess vaccine from multiple vials. 			

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