### **HOW TO SEND SAMPLES**

1. Write your return address (including postal code) in the top left corner of the prepaid mailer.



 Place the sealed plastic Bag B inside the prepaid mailer.
 Keep sample away from heat.



3. Place the completed requisition form in the prepaid mailer with plastic Bag B.

Seal the prepaid mailer and give it a gentle, brief shake.



 Drop the addressed prepaid mailer into any Canada Post mailbox.



# PATIENT PRIVACY

Privacy Statement: Your healthcare professional's stamp or signature on the requisition is our legal authority for analyzing your urine sample. The personal information you provide is necessary for us to provide a thorough analysis. This information will be stored confidentially and used only for the purpose of analyzing your specimen. Some aggregate data may be used for research purposes. If you have any questions regarding this or any other issue regarding our testing, please contact Rocky Mountain Analytical. Phone 403-241-4500 or Fax at 403-241-4501. Email: info@rmalab.com



# **Environmental Pollutants Profile**Collection Instructions

### **BEFORE YOU BEGIN**



## **Important:**

- Read all instructions prior to collecting urine.
   A \$15 re-collection fee may be charged if you have collected improperly.
- Please make sure your healthcare professional has signed the requisition and applied their bar code label. If either of these are missing, please contact your healthcare professional before sending your sample to the lab.
- Check contents of the kit box. If anything is missing, please contact your healthcare professional.

## **KIT CONTENTS**

- Requisition Form
- ✓ Collection Instructions
- ✓ Ziploc Bag A containing 2 collection strips
- ✓ Ziploc Bag B containing desiccant
- ✓ Pre-Paid Mailing Envelope

email: info@rmalab.com phone: 403.241.4500 | fax: 403.241.4501

### **IMPORTANT NOTES** - please read all notes

- DO NOT collect urine during a menstrual period.
- DO NOT collect urine if you currently have a urinary tract infection.
- DO NOT collect urine if you have kidney disease.
- Avoid foods with benzoic acid (benzoate) and sorbic acid (sorbate) for 48 hours prior to collection.
- DO NOT use Bag B after expiry date. You will need a new Bag B. If your Bag B has
  expired, contact your healthcare professional and ask for a new one.
- Use black or blue ballpoint pen to complete requisition and write on labels and forms.

#### **BEFORE YOU START TO COLLECT URINE** - read all instructions

NOTES: Avoid excess fluid intake the night before your morning urine collection.



Experience face October 1, 2013
Do not us this kit part its experience date.
Keep plays leaded out analy for us.
Reast Completify other suchioning the set us collection stells.
MANDATORY COMPLETE ALL SECTIONS IN NED

Print the following on the label on the foil pack **BAG B**:

- your name
- · your date of birth
- your gender
- · date of urine collection
- 2. Make sure the requistion includes:
  - your healthcare professional's bar code label and signature
  - your name
  - your address
  - · your date of birth
  - your gender
  - date of urine collection



## **GETTING YOUR RESULTS** - sample report shown



Test results are sent to your healthcare professional approximately 21 days after we receive your sample.

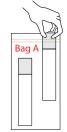
Please contact your healthcare professional if you have questions regarding your results. **Note:** Our staff cannot discuss test results with patients.

#### **COLLECTING YOUR SAMPLE** - How to collect urine

## You will need to dip 2 strips into the collected urine.

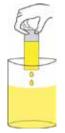


- 1. Before you begin, wash hands thoroughly with soap and water.
- Collect a mid-stream urine sample into a clean, dry cup first thing in the morning, or if you are a shift worker, after your longest sleep. To assess work exposure, collect within 2 hours of leaving work.



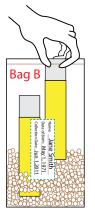
- **3.** Once collection is complete, remove the collection strips from Bag A, then discard Bag A.
- 4. Hold the collection strip as shown and place the end with the absorbant pad into the cup of urine. To avoid contamination, do not touch the absorbent pad.





- Remove the urine saturated strip from the collection cup and allow excess urine to drip freely into collection cup.
- 6. Repeat Steps 4 to collect urine on the 2nd strip.

Note: Be sure to leave each collection strip in the urine long enough to ensure each strip is completely saturated (less than 1 minute).



 Place both urine saturated collection strips into foil pack Bag B. Ensure the bag is completely sealed.

**Caution:** Bag becomes very warm once collection strips are sealed inside.

8. Dispose of excess urine in the toilet and discard the collection cup.

