

Andrology Sample Requirements

All patients must abstain from intercourse or ejaculation for at least 2 days, but not more than 7 days prior to their test. The appointment leaflet includes specific information regarding how to collect and label samples and will also indicate specific times for delivery of samples to the SPS laboratories at Lisieux Way, Taunton TA1 2LB, or Yeovil District Hospital.

Samples must only be collected into individually weighed toxicity tested pots. These will be given to you by your GP or Consultant at the appropriate time. Do not use any other container.

It is very important that patients adhere to these instructions rigidly.

The following are also required:

Fertility patients will have to ensure that their sample reaches the laboratory as soon as possible after production. The entire sample must be collected as failure may well give misleading results. It is essential that the first portion of the ejaculate be collected, as this is the sperm rich portion.

Post vasectomy patients will have to ensure that their sample reaches the laboratory as soon as possible after production. The entire sample must be collected as failure may well give misleading results. Samples should not be submitted until at least 4 months and 24 ejaculations post operation.

Please note the postal delivery of post vasectomy samples is not acceptable (in line with British Andrology Society recommendations).

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