

For US Healthcare Providers

COVID-19 vaccines from BioNTech and Pfizer refrigerated shipping & handling information and FAQs

For questions regarding shipments from wholesalers, please contact the wholesaler directly.

For Additional information, please see the following appropriate brochures:
Storage and Handling Guidelines – Single-Use Thermal Shipping Container Brochure
Storage and Handling Guidelines – Reusable Thermal Shipping Container Brochure

These brochures are available on the <https://www.comirnatyhcp.com> website.

Single-Use Thermal Shipping Containers

(The vaccine is provided in a **Single-Use** or **Reuseable Thermal Shipping Container**.)

Single-Use Thermal Shipping Container

After use, the Single-Use Thermal Shipping Container should be disposed of at your facility.

To dispose of the Single-Use Thermal Shipping Container, please recycle the outer cardboard box and inner cardboard components. The remaining foam box and lid may be recycled or routed to landfill per local and state regulations.

PLEASE REVIEW
[SHIPPING AND HANDLING GUIDELINES FOR SINGLE-USE THERMAL SHIPPING CONTAINER REFRIGERATED](#)

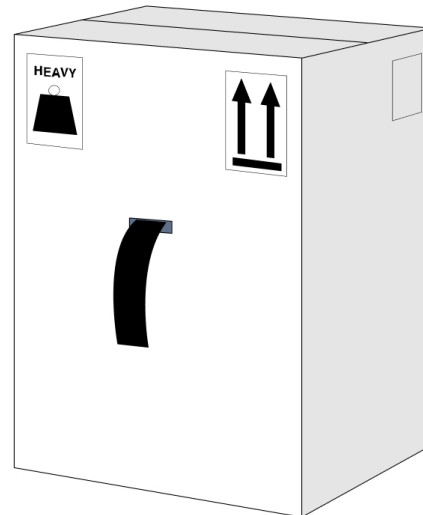
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Improper handling may cause problems

SHIPPING AND HANDLING GUIDELINES

SINGLE-USE
Thermal Shipping Container
Refrigerated

The Single-Use Thermal Shipping Container is NOT to be used for temporary storage of the vaccine

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PLEASE NOTE:

This container may NOT be used as temporary storage.

You must immediately store the vaccine product at 2°C to 8°C (35°F to 46°F).

[Please review the Shipping and Handling Guidelines for Single-Use Thermal Shipping Container Refrigerated.](#)

Please see the COMIRNATY® (COVID-19 Vaccine, mRNA) [Full Prescribing Information](#) and [Fact Sheets for Vaccination Providers and Recipients and Caregivers](#) or visit <https://www.comirnatyhcp.com>.

Refrigerated Reusable Thermal Shipping Containers (continued...)

(The vaccine is provided in a **Single-Use** or **Reuseable Thermal Shipping Container**.)

Reusable Thermal Shipping Container

Please note that reusable shippers will come with instructions for returning them.


Shippers designed for a single use will not contain these instructions.

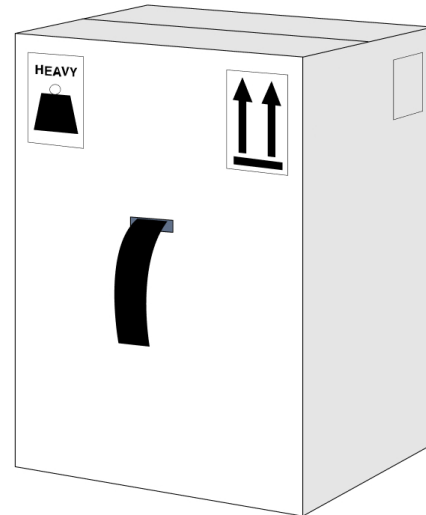
PLEASE REVIEW
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SHIPPING AND HANDLING GUIDELINES

REUSEABLE
Thermal Shipping Container Refrigerated

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Click [here](#) to learn more about returning the thermal shipping container

PLEASE NOTE:

DO NOT RETURN ANY UNUSED VACCINE PRODUCT WITH YOUR SHIPPING CONTAINER.

After use, the thermal shipping container must be returned to the supplier to help Pfizer fulfill its commitment to reusable resources.

PLEASE NOTE:

This container may **NOT** be used as temporary storage.

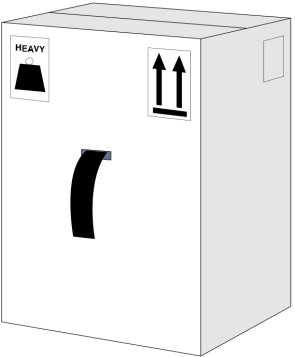
You must immediately store the vaccine product at 2°C to 8°C (35°F to 46°F).

Please review the [Shipping and Handling Guidelines for the Reuseable Thermal Shipping Container Refrigerated](#).

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Time and Temperature Considerations

- Handling the prefilled syringe carton between storage environments: immediately transfer prefilled syringe to refrigerated storage at 2°C to 8°C (35°F to 46°F).
- Do not open prefilled syringe cartons until there is a need to remove prefilled syringes for transfer, or use.
- Upon delivery:
 1. Inspect the thermal shipping container to confirm that ordered or prefilled syringe cartons were received.
 2. Do not stack or place anything on top of the thermal shipping container.
 3. Do not freeze prefilled syringes

Originating Temperature Environment	Storage Instructions
 <p data-bbox="774 889 1049 1001">From Thermal Shipping Container 2°C to 8°C (35°F to 46°F)</p>	Do NOT freeze contents
	<p data-bbox="1302 448 1773 472" style="text-align: center;">Prefilled Syringe Storage Information</p> <p data-bbox="1174 508 1888 601">COMIRNATY glass prefilled syringes (NDC 0069-2377) may be stored at 2°C to 8°C (35°F to 46°F) until the expiration date printed on the carton and syringe labels.</p> <p data-bbox="1174 629 1360 654" style="color: #f4a460;">DO NOT FREEZE.</p> <p data-bbox="1174 682 1880 743">The total time out of refrigeration (at temperatures between 8°C and 25°C (46°F and 77°F)) must not exceed 12 hours.</p>
	<p data-bbox="1327 776 1717 801" style="text-align: center;">Additional Storage Information</p> <p data-bbox="1174 836 1895 898">Regardless of presentation during storage, minimize exposure to room light, and avoid exposure to direct sunlight and ultraviolet light.</p> <p data-bbox="1174 933 1895 1086">Regardless of storage condition, the vaccine should not be used after the expiration date printed on the prefilled syringes and cartons. Prefilled syringes may be stored in the refrigerator according to the expiry date on the prefilled syringe and carton label and at room temperature [8°C to 25°C (46°F to 77°F)] for 12 hours prior to use.</p>

All cartons of COMIRNATY prefilled received at 2°C to 8°C (35°F to 46°F), should be stored at 2°C to 8°C (35°F to 46°F).

SAFE DISPOSAL OF VACCINE PREFILLED SYRINGES

- Discard prefilled syringes that have been at room temperature past 12 hours [8°C to 25°C (46°F to 77°F)] .
- Discard prefilled syringes past expiration date.
- Discard prefilled syringes in a sharps container as medical waste to ensure they are permanently destroyed.
- Discard prefilled syringe cartons as medical waste so they cannot be reused.

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Shipping and Handling Frequently Asked Questions

Below are answers to some commonly asked questions about the shipping and handling of COVID-19 vaccines from BioNTech and Pfizer.

Do customers have to return the thermal shipping containers?

For Reusable Thermal Shippers:

- The reusable shipper should be returned.
- After use, the thermal shipping container, including all components inside must be returned to the supplier to help Pfizer fulfill its commitment to reusable resources.
- When the shipping container is ready to be returned, and all the components are inside, seal it with tape.
- Follow the instructions on the shipper to return. For assistance on returns, contact: Aerosafe at 585-760-2830

Elements Required for Return

- Thermal shipping container and inner components

For Single-Use Thermal Shippers:

- The Single-Use shipper should not be returned and should be disposed of at your facility.

Is there Customer Service available to help address questions?

- The number for Pfizer Customer Service is 1-800-666-7248.

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