

STOP FREEZING VACCINE!

Chilled Water Packs for Vaccine Transport

How to make chilled water packs:

- ▶ Cool the water packs (regular, unfrozen ice packs) in a 2° to 8°C cold room or refrigerator for at least **12 hours**.

Where to chill water packs:

- ▶ **Vaccine cold room**—but avoid contact between the water packs and the vaccines.
- ▶ **Refrigerator**—but not if the refrigerator is also used to store vaccines.

How to use chilled water packs:

- ▶ **Load chilled water packs** into cold boxes and vaccine carriers just as you would load frozen ice packs.
- ▶ **Do not condition** chilled water packs before loading vaccines.

Use conditioned ice packs instead of chilled water packs IF:

- ▶ VVMs reach discard point prior to vaccine delivery.
- ▶ The temperature in the cold room rises above 10°C when water packs are put in to cool.
- ▶ You don't have an extra refrigerator for chilling water packs.

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Freezing damages DPT, TT, DT, and Hep B vaccines!

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