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PROCEDURE FOR COLLECTING A STOOL SAMPLE FOR THE PHYSICOCHEMICAL TEST

Use the container available at the Sampling Point or purchasable at the pharmacy. Write your full name and date of birth on the label.

Collect the stool sample in a clean, dry container or apply a layer of plastic to the inside the toilet bowl to catch the stool and thus collect the sample.

Using the spoon attached to the cap, collect a portion of stool: If the stool is liquid, collect the sample directly in the container

Insert the spoon in the container, screwing the cap on firmly to avoid spilling the sample.

Keep in the refrigerator (2-8°C) until you deliver it to the Sampling Point, within 24 hours of collecting the sample.

WARNINGS

Do not use laxatives, purgatives or suppositories to evacuate. Do not contaminate the sample with urine or toilet paper.

