

Faecal Immunochemical Test (FIT) kit

Instructions for private requestors

These instructions are to be used when requesting and issuing patients with the FIT stool test kit. For any further advice please contact the Duty Biochemist on x48889 (Freeman Hospital) or x29719 (Royal Victoria Infirmary).

Note that kits are stable at room temperature but should be returned to the laboratory as soon as possible following collection. If there is delay in returning the sample, store this in a cool dry place away from direct sunlight.

Requesting kits

To request a FIT kit, contact the Blood Sciences Business Unit on 0191 213 7220.

Kits should be stored at room temperature

Requesting FIT test

Use a paper request form to request FIT testing

Items to give to patient

Kit contents: FIT test kit and patient instructions

The FIT tube **must** be labelled with the patient demographics (full name and date of birth) prior to giving to the patient.

General Advice

Please advise patient to read instructions carefully

Please indicate the location on the request form for the patient to enter the date of sample collection. Failure to do so may result in the sample not being processed.

Once completed, the kit should be placed in the specimen bag and returned to the Blood Sciences laboratory (Freeman or RVI).

