

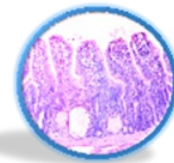
Formalin-Fixed Specimens: Shipping Instructions for Histopathology

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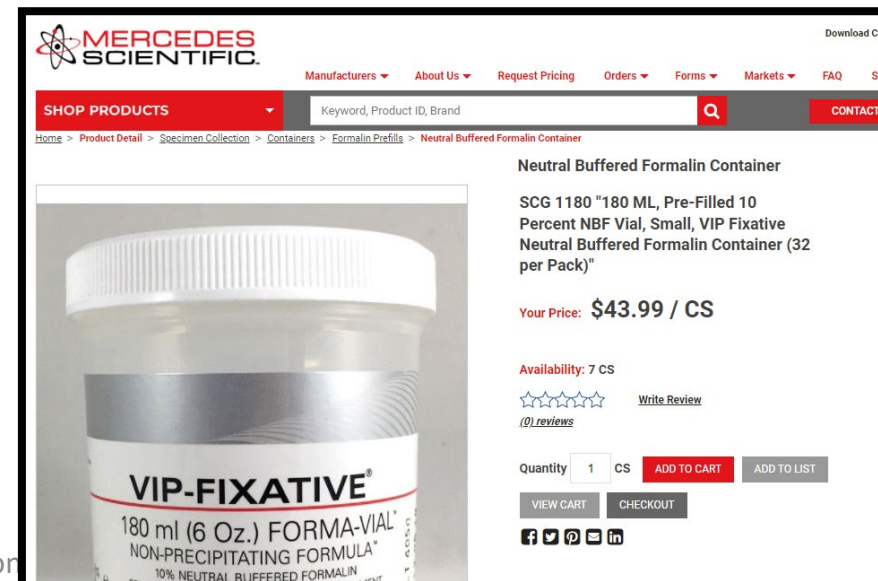
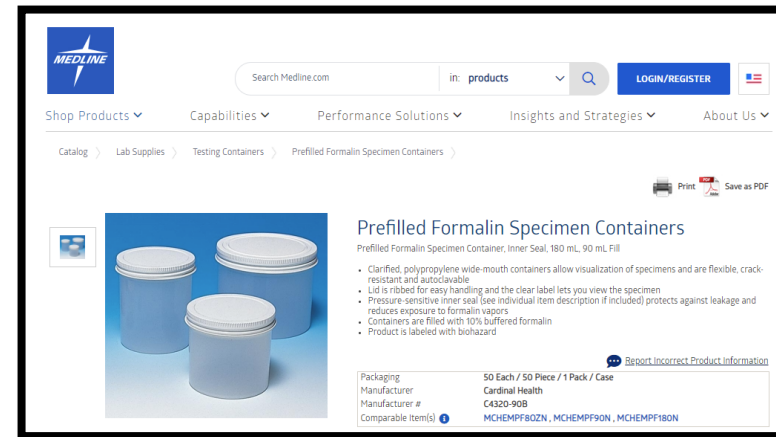
- [Submission Form: Diagnostic Cases](#)
- [Submission Form: Survey and Research](#)
- For international shipments, enclose For US domestic shipments, a USDA 16.6A Import form is not required
- If your company requires a form for domestic shipping, use this form that is compliant with USDA Guideline 1125: *Guideline for NO INTERSTATE TRANSPORT Permit Required*
- [USDA Guideline 1125 USA INTERSTATE MOVEMENT OF INACTIVATED PATHOGENS Download](#)

Submission Forms: Instructions and Information

- For research trials, submit:
 - Hard copy spreadsheet packing list of pen and bird number, preferably sorted in numerical order
 - Also, email spreadsheet to *fred.hoerr@gmail.com*
 - We prefer to receive treatment information as a trial code, rather than the actual treatment
- For production surveys and field trials
 - It is preferable to list flocks by age, with other category designation as needed
- **Submit forms in a ziplock bag separate from the formalin containers.**

Formalin containers: available from Amazon or scientific supply companies

- Use 180 to 250 ml containers (with 90 to 125 ml formalin)
 - **Medline:**
<https://www.medline.com/sku/item/MDPBXTC432090B;ecomsessionid=eKaXTixAvlf4Ze4Spuozyiey9UqWED4uHeH4adFJ.OC7-b2b?skuIndex=S23&question=&flowType=&indexCount=>
 - **Mercedes Scientific:**
<https://www.mercedesscientific.com/buy/product/neutral-buffered-formalin-container/CLENC53c09fbf627f841ba7cfb89052cb034e?ID=/Specimen-Collection/Containers/Formalin-Prefills/dept-911>
- Gut from 3-5 birds can go in one container if collected in 1-inch segments.
- Use 250 ml for larger turkeys and broilers
- Close tightly before shipping.



Packing and Shipping

1. 1st level containment:

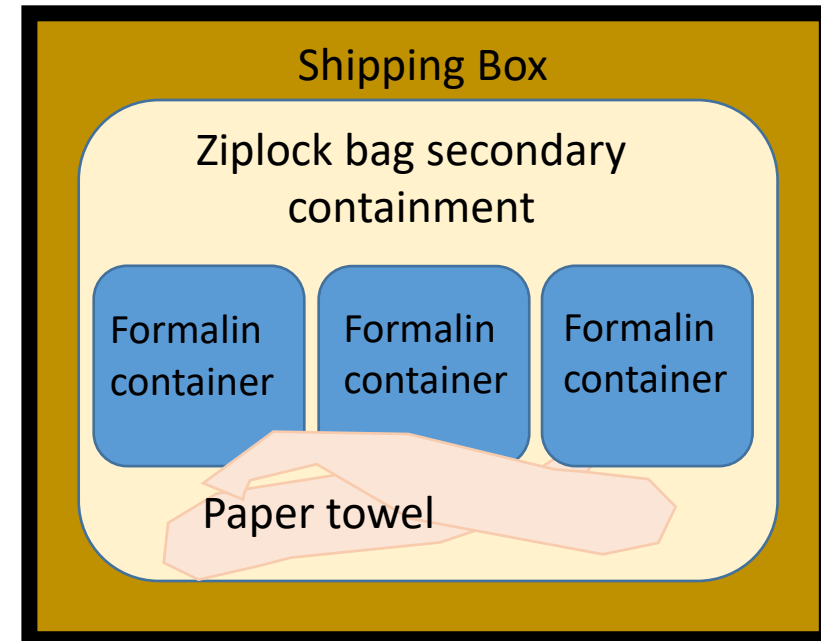
- Formalin containers **firmly closed**, with several **paper towels** to absorb any formalin spilled in shipment
- Tapping the container lids is not effective in preventing leaks.

2. 2nd level containment

- Ziplock bag or water-tight container around formalin containers and paper towel --- Recommend 1- or 2-gallon Zip-Lock bags

3. 3rd level containment

- Cardboard shipping box



Leaking packages place UPS and FedEx drivers at risk of formalin exposure and may initiate incident reports.

Ship to:

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