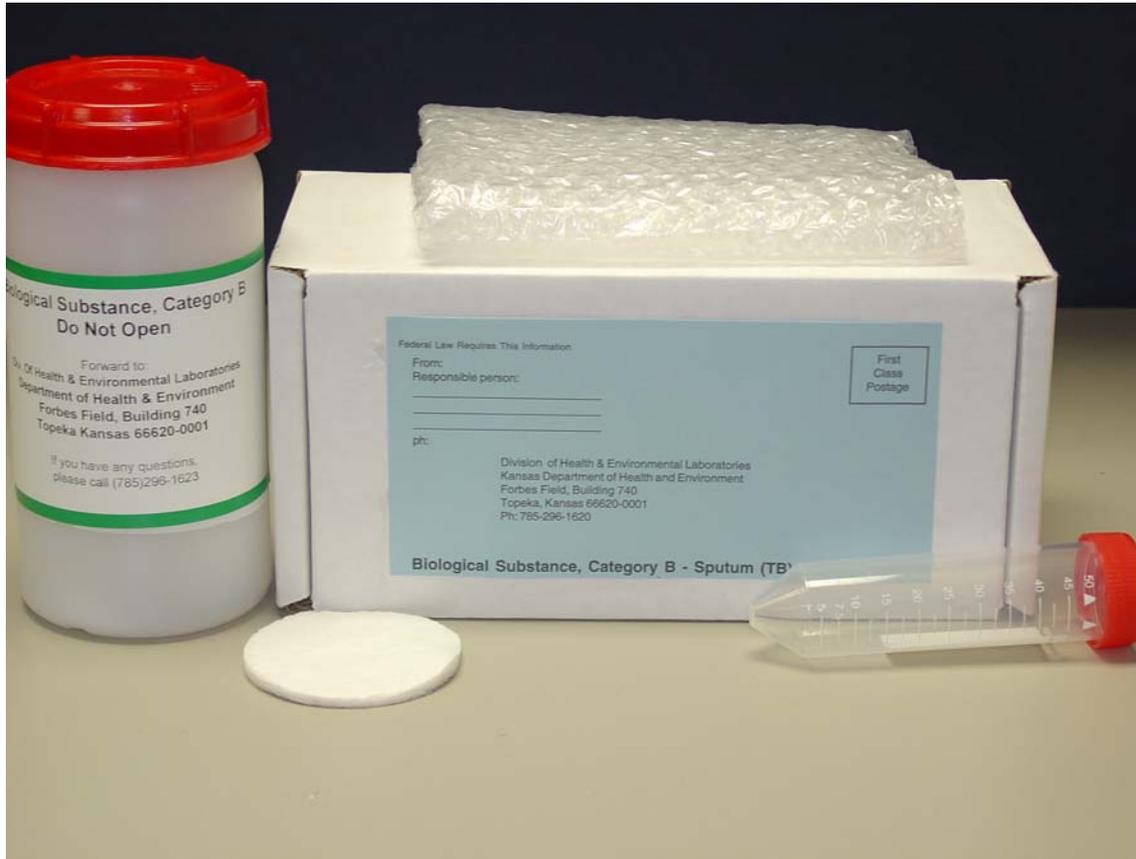


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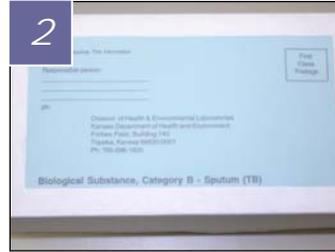


- As of October 1, 2006, Federal law requires that the To, From, and **UN3373 Biological Substance, Category B** labels be attached to this Fiberboard Shipper. The UN3373 label should be placed on the same side of box as the to/from addresses when package size is adequate.
- This guide is based upon a Triple Packaging system, the primary specimen container (Primary); the secondary red top 95 kPa polyethylene container (Secondary); cushioning material; and Fiberboard Shipper (Tertiary).
- The bubble wrap or other cushioning material should be wrapped around the Primary Container to ensure that the Primary Container does not break. Absorbent material should be added to secondary container.

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1) Fiberboard Shipper; Red-topped Secondary Container (95kPa container); Protective Bubble Wrap; absorbent pad; Primary Container.



2) Sputum (TB) Label, which includes: To/From address blocks, and sample type.



3) Complete Universal Laboratory Specimen Submission Form (Universal Form); marking the required test in the TB section on the form.



4) Place the specimen in the Primary Container (centrifuge tube) and fill in the patient information and date in the space provided on the container.



5) Use the barcode sticker from the Universal Form to label the Primary Container and keep one for your records.



6) Place a barcode sticker from Universal Form on Primary Container, in addition to the patient name & collection date; [see Note](#).



7) Place Primary Container in protective bubble wrap or other cushioning material.



8) Place wrapped specimen container inside red-topped Secondary Container. Include absorbent material.



9) Secure top of Secondary Container firmly; **DO NOT** write on this container.



10) Place the Secondary Container into the Fiberboard Shipper.



11) Place cushioning material and the completed Universal Form inside Fiberboard Shipper **OUTSIDE OF SECONDARY CONTAINER**.



12) Secure Fiberboard Shipper with a strip of tape. Complete the return address label; **DO NOT** write on the box. This package is now ready for shipment to the KHEL.

**Note:** To prevent Primary Container from leaking, it is recommended that each specimen container be secured with ParaFilm or vinyl tape, such as electrical tape.