Vaccine Freezer Setup

Preparing for Vaccine Storage

Put water bottles in areas where vaccines should not be stored, including the freezer door and on the top shelf of the freezer.

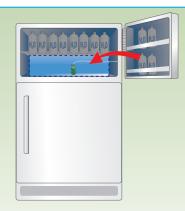




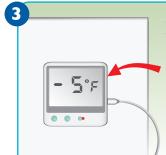
In addition to your primary probed thermometer, maintain at least one continuous-logging back-up thermometer for emergency use.



In a stand-alone freezer, place the digital thermometer probe in the center of the freezer, next to the vaccine.



In a combination unit freezer, place the probe of the digital thermometer in the center of the shelf or freezer floor.



Attach the display of the digital thermometer to the outside of refrigerator, either on the door or on the side.

Set the temperature modes.



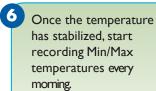


Set the freezer temperature.

If the freezer has a thermostat, set it at -5°F.

If it has a dial with a range of numbers, set it in the middle.

The next morning, check the temperature and adjust it until it stabilizes below 0°F.



Do not store vaccines in the freezer until the temperature stays below 0°F for 3–5 days.

