

## Semen Collection for Analysis - Fertility

**NOTE:** If your doctor has requested an Immunobead Test (or IBT, SA-IBT or sperm antibody test), testing can be performed between the hours of 0800-1400 Mon-Fri at Hobart Pathology. For other locations alternative arrangements should be made with TasIVF.

### Collection of Specimen

1. Abstain from ejaculation (intercourse and masturbation) for a minimum of 2 days and a maximum of 7 days prior to collection.
2. The specimen can be collected at home\* or in a room\* (by appointment) provided at the collection centres (see below).
3. Label the container with your full name and date of birth.
4. Wash hands and penis with soap and rinse with water.
5. DO NOT use a condom or lubricants.
6. Collect COMPLETE ejaculate (by masturbation) into the container provided. **Loss of sample will require a recollect.**
7. Label sample with date and time of collection.
8. Do NOT refrigerate the sample (also protect from the cold). **Keep sample as close to the body as possible to maintain warmth.**

### Delivery of Specimen

**\*Rapid delivery of the specimen to the locations listed (see below) is essential for accurate results.** This should be no longer than ½ hour after collection.

### Pathology Locations

Location		Phone	Weekdays	Saturdays
Hobart	5a Gladstone Street, Salamanca	6223 1955	8am – 3pm	Testing not available
Launceston	71 Frederick St	6334 3636	9am - 3pm	Testing not available
Burnie	North West Medical Centre, 22 Brickport Rd	6432 8862	9am – 3pm By appointment	Testing not available
Latrobe	Mersey Community Hospital, 9-21 Torquay Rd	6426 5850	11am – 3pm	Testing not available

## Results

Sperm numbers and motility results are available from the requesting doctor within 48 hours. Sperm morphology results are usually available within 7 days.