

ACL Laboratories Specimen Handling during Inclement Weather

All Winter Temperatures:

- Keep specimens and lockbox(s) indoors until leaving for the night. The lock box with specimens should be placed outside at the last possible moment for specimen integrity.

Very cold days: 0-10° F without wind-chill:

- Keep specimens and lockbox(s) indoors until leaving for the night. The lock box with specimens should be placed outside at the last possible moment for specimen integrity.
- Wrap specimens – in a towel or padding
- Inform ACL Logistics of any early closures or cancellations

Extreme cold: below 0° F without wind-chill:

- Keep specimens and lockbox(s) indoors until leaving for the night. The lock box with specimens should be placed outside at the last possible moment for specimen integrity.
- Wrap specimens – in a towel or padding
- Inform Logistics of any early closures or cancellations
- ACL Logistics will implement an internal process that alters routing in order to reduce the pickup window in half. It is imperative that Logistics is notified of any site hour changes.

Extreme Summer Temperature: excess of 95°F

- Keep specimens and lockbox(s) indoors until leaving for the night. The lock box with specimens' should be placed outside at the last possible moment for specimen integrity.
- Inform ACL Logistics of any early closures or cancellations.

Please call ACL Logistics with any questions or concerns at 800-877-7016, option #3.

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