**PACKING INSTRUCTIONS**

1. Insert EDTA vacutainer(s) (lavender-top) in small bubblewrap pouch.

2. Insert bubblewrap pouch in the small Lab-Loc® biohazard bag with absorbent sheet and zip closed.

3. Insert the zipped bag into the large medical bag and insert paperwork in the outer pouch. Peel and seal.

4. Place sealed medical bag inside plastic liner of the insulated shipment box.

5. Insert the completely frozen gel-packs.

6. Twist loosely the plastic liner bag.

7. Replace the foam lid.


9. Peel the provided UN 3373 sticker and place it on the outside of the box.

10. Place the provided FedEx overnight label in the shipment voucher pouch and zip closed. Your kit is now ready to be shipped. Please bring kit to your nearest FedEx.
**Check Your Kit**

2 EDTA vacutainer tubes 10 mL (lavender top)  
1 Bubblewrap pouch for vacutainer tubes  
1 Small Lab-Loc® biohazard bag with absorbent sheet  
1 Large medical bag with pouch for paperwork  
1 Requisition Form with Vial Labels attached  
1 Laboratory Invoice  
1 UN 3370 Category B Biological Substance sticker  
1 Prepaid FedEx Priority Overnight label  
2 Freezer gel-packs (6 oz)  
1 Foam insulated shipment box with plastic liner bag

- If you are missing any of these items or if any of the tubes are expired, please call the laboratory at 856-438-0820.  
- Keep the shipment kit box for returning specimen to the lab.

**Blood Specimen Preparation & Collection**

1. Completely freeze gel-packs 24 hours prior to shipment.  
2. Collect at least 8 mL of whole blood in each EDTA vacutainer provided. Fill as completely as possible.  
3. Vacutainer should be gently inverted at least 8 times to insure adequate mixing.  
4. Samples should be kept refrigerated at 2-10°C until shipped. Do *not* freeze blood samples.

**Important Notice**

Both gel-packs must be completely frozen before shipping samples for adequate refrigeration during transit.

The Equine Blood Viscosity Test is performed using the Hemathix Blood Analyzer, a patented, high-throughput capillary viscometer that is capable of measuring blood viscosity at 10,000 shear rates using a single blood specimen. The measurement obtained with this device is used to monitor the inherent resistance of blood to flow. Results and information are not otherwise intended to cure, mitigate, treat or prevent disease or other conditions. Any liability on the part of Equine Health Labs is limited to the cost of testing.