

requirements contained in Subpart B of this part, unless exempt under Subpart D of this part, whether or not it is also registered.

(b) No blood product may be imported from a foreign establishment into the United States except a blood product imported or offered for import pursuant to the investigational use provisions of part 312 of this chapter, unless it is first the subject of a blood product listing as required in Subpart B of this part. The blood product listing information shall be in the English language.

(c) Foreign establishments shall submit, as part of the blood product listing, the name and address of the establishment and the name of the individual responsible for submitting blood product listing information. Any changes in this information shall be reported to the Food and Drug Administration at the intervals specified for updating blood product listing information in § 607.30(a).

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Subpart D—Exemptions

§ 607.65 Exemptions for blood product establishments.

The following classes of persons are exempt from registration and blood product listing in accordance with this part 607 under the provisions of section 510(g) (1), (2), and (3) of the act, or because the Commissioner has found, under section 510(g)(4), that such registration is not necessary for the protection of the public health.

(a) Pharmacies that are operating under applicable local laws regulating dispensing of prescription drugs and that are not manufacturing blood products for sale other than in the regular course of the practice of the profession of pharmacy including the business of dispensing and selling blood products at retail. The supplying by such pharmacies of blood products to a practitioner licensed to administer such blood products for his use in the course of his professional practice or to other pharmacies to meet temporary inventory shortages are not acts which require such pharmacies to register.

(b) Practitioners who are licensed by law to prescribe or administer drugs and who manufacture blood products solely for use in the course of their professional practice.

(c) Persons who manufacture blood products which are not for sale, rather, are solely for use in research, teaching, or analysis, including laboratory samples.

(d) Carriers, by reason of their receipt, carriage, holding, or delivery of blood products in the usual course of business as carriers.

(e) Persons who engage solely in the manufacture of in vitro diagnostic blood products and reagents not subject to licensing under section 351 of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 262). This paragraph does not exempt such persons from registration and listing for medical devices required under part 807 of this chapter.

(f) Transfusion services which are a part of a facility approved for Medicare reimbursement and engaged in the compatibility testing and transfusion of blood and blood components, but which neither routinely collect nor process blood and blood components. The collection and processing of blood and blood components in an emergency situation as determined by a responsible person and documented in writing, therapeutic collection of blood or plasma, the preparation of recovered human plasma for further manufacturing use, or preparation of red blood cells for transfusion are not acts requiring such transfusion services to register.

(g) Clinical laboratories that are approved for Medicare reimbursement and are engaged in the testing of blood products in support of other registered blood establishments.

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PART 610—GENERAL BIOLOGICAL PRODUCTS STANDARDS

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CROSS REFERENCES: For U.S. Customs Service regulations relating to viruses, serums, and toxins, see 19 CFR 12.21–12.23. For U.S. Postal Service regulations relating to the admissibility to the United States mails see parts 124 and 125 of the Domestic Mail Manual, that is incorporated by reference in 39 CFR part 111.

Subpart A—Release Requirements**§ 610.1 Tests prior to release required for each lot.**

No lot of any licensed product shall be released by the manufacturer prior to the completion of tests for conformity with standards applicable to such product. Each applicable test shall be made on each lot after completion of all processes of manufacture which may affect compliance with the standard to which the test applies. The results of all tests performed shall be considered in determining whether or not the test results meet the test objective, except that a test result may be disregarded when it is established that the test is invalid due to causes unrelated to the product.

§ 610.2 Requests for samples and protocols; official release.

(a) *General.* Samples of any lot of any licensed product, except for radioactive biological products, together with the protocols showing results of applicable tests, may at any time be required to be sent to the Director, Center for Biologics Evaluation and Research. Upon notification by the Director, Center for Biologics Evaluation and Research, a manufacturer shall not distribute a lot of a product until the lot is released by the Director, Center for Biologics Evaluation and Research: *Provided*, That the Director, Center for Biologics Evaluation and Research, shall not issue such notification except when deemed necessary for the safety, purity, or potency of the product.

(b) *Radioactive biological products.* Samples of any lot of a radioactive biological product, as defined in § 600.3(ee) of this chapter, together with the protocols showing results of applicable tests, may at any time be required to be sent to the Food and Drug Administration for official release. Upon notification by the Director, Center for Drug Evaluation and Research, a manufacturer shall not distribute a lot of a radioactive biological product until the lot is released by the Director, Center for Drug Evaluation and Research: *Provided*, That the Director, Center for Drug Evaluation and Research shall not issue such notification except when

deemed necessary for the safety, purity, or potency of the product.

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Subpart B—General Provisions

§ 610.9 Equivalent methods and processes.

Modification of any particular test method or manufacturing process or the conditions under which it is conducted as required in this part or in the additional standards for specific biological products in parts 620 through 680 of this chapter shall be permitted only under the following conditions:

(a) The applicant presents evidence, in the form of a license application, or a supplement to the application submitted in accordance with § 601.12(b) or (c), demonstrating that the modification will provide assurances of the safety, purity, potency, and effectiveness of the biological product equal to or greater than the assurances provided by the method or process specified in the general standards or additional standards for the biological product; and

(b) Approval of the modification is received in writing from the Director, Center for Biologics Evaluation and Research, Food and Drug Administration, 1401 Rockville Pike, Rockville, MD 20852-1448.

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§ 610.10 Potency.

Tests for potency shall consist of either in vitro or in vivo tests, or both, which have been specifically designed for each product so as to indicate its potency in a manner adequate to satisfy the interpretation of potency given by the definition in § 600.3(s) of this chapter.

§ 610.11 General safety.

A general safety test for the detection of extraneous toxic contaminants shall be performed on biological products intended for administration to humans. The general safety test is re-

quired in addition to other specific tests prescribed in the additional standards for individual products in this subchapter, except that, the test need not be performed on those products listed in paragraph (g) of this section. The general safety test shall be performed as specified in this section, unless: Modification is prescribed in the additional standards for specific products, or variation is approved as a supplement to the product license under § 610.9.

(a) *Product to be tested.* The general safety test shall be conducted upon a representative sample of the product in the final container from every final filling of each lot of the product. If any product is processed further after filling, such as by freeze-drying, sterilization, or heat treatment, the test shall be conducted upon a sample from each filling of each drying chamber run, sterilization chamber, or heat treatment bath.

(b) *Test animals.* Only overtly healthy guinea pigs weighing less than 400 grams each and mice weighing less than 22 grams each shall be used. The animals shall not have been used previously for any test purpose.

(c) *Procedure.* The duration of the general safety test shall be 7 days for both species, except that a longer period may be established for specific products in accordance with § 610.9. Once the manufacturer has established a specific duration of the test period for a specific product, it cannot be varied subsequently, except, in accordance with § 610.9. Each test animal shall be weighed and the individual weights recorded immediately prior to injection and on the last day of the test. Each animal shall be observed every working day. Any animal response including any which is not specific for or expected from the product and which may indicate a difference in its quality shall be recorded on the day such response is observed. The test product shall be administered as follows:

(1) *Liquid product or freeze-dried product which has been reconstituted as directed on the label.* Inject intraperitoneally 0.5 milliliter of the liquid product or the reconstituted product into each of at least two mice, and 5.0 milliliters of the liquid product

or the reconstituted product into each of at least two guinea pigs.

(2) *Freeze-dried product for which the volume of reconstitution is not indicated on the label.* The route of administration, test dose, and diluent shall be as approved by the Director, Center for Biologics Evaluation and Research, in accordance with §610.9. Administer the test product as approved on at least two mice and at least two guinea pigs.

(3) *Nonliquid products other than freeze-dried product.* The route of administration, test dose, and diluent shall be as approved by the Director, Center for Biologics Evaluation and Research, in accordance with §610.9. Dissolve or grind and suspend the product in the approved diluent. Administer the test product as approved on at least two mice and at least two guinea pigs.

(d) *Test requirements.* A safety test is satisfactory if all animals meet all of the following requirements:

(1) They survive the test period.

(2) They do not exhibit any response which is not specific for or expected from the product and which may indicate a difference in its quality.

(3) They weigh no less at the end of the test period than at the time of injection.

(e) *Repeat tests*—(1) *First repeat test.* If a filling fails to meet the requirements of paragraph (d) of this section in the initial test, a repeat test may be conducted on the species which failed the initial test, as prescribed in paragraph (c) of this section. The filling is satisfactory only if each retest animal meets the requirements prescribed in paragraph (d) of this section.

(2) *Second repeat test.* If a filling fails to meet the requirements of the first repeat test, a second repeat test may be conducted on the species which failed the test: *Provided*, That 50 percent of the total number of animals in that species has survived the initial and first repeat tests. The second repeat test shall be conducted as prescribed in paragraph (c) of this section, except that the number of animals shall be twice that used in the first repeat test. The filling is satisfactory only if each second repeat test animal meets the requirements prescribed in paragraph (d) of this section.

(f) [Reserved]

(g) *Exceptions.* The test prescribed in this section need not be performed for Whole Blood, Red Blood Cells, Cryoprecipitated AHF, Platelets, or Plasma.

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§610.11a Inactivated influenza vaccine, general safety test.

For inactivated influenza vaccine, the general safety test shall be conducted in the manner indicated in §610.11 of this chapter except that, with reference to guinea pigs, the test shall be satisfied if the product provides satisfactory results using either the subcutaneous or intraperitoneal injection of 5.0 milliliters of inactivated influenza vaccine into each guinea pig. The requirements for general safety for inactivated influenza vaccine shall not be considered to be satisfied unless each lot of influenza vaccine is assayed for endotoxin in comparison to a reference preparation provided by the Food and Drug Administration, and such lot is found to contain no more endotoxin than the reference preparation.

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§610.12 Sterility.

Except as provided in paragraphs (f) and (g) of this section, the sterility of each lot of each product shall be demonstrated by the performance of the tests prescribed in paragraphs (a) and (b) of this section for both bulk and final container material.

(a) *The test.* Bulk material shall be tested separately from final container material and material from each final container shall be tested in individual test vessels as follows:

(1) *Using Fluid Thioglycollate Medium*—(i) *Bulk and final container material.* The volume of product, as required by paragraph (d) of this section (hereinafter referred to also as the “inoculum”), from samples of both bulk and final container material, shall be inoculated into test vessels of Fluid Thioglycollate Medium. The inoculum and medium shall be mixed

thoroughly and incubated at a temperature of 30 to 35 °C for a test period of no less than 14 days and examined visually for evidence of growth on the third, fourth, or fifth day, and on the seventh or eighth day, and on the last day of the test period. Results of each examination shall be recorded. If the inoculum renders the medium turbid so that the absence of growth cannot be determined reliably by visual examination, portions of this turbid medium in amounts of no less than 1.0 milliliter shall be transferred on the third, fourth, or fifth day of incubation, from each of the test vessels and inoculated into additional vessels of the medium. The material in the additional vessels shall be incubated at a temperature of 30 to 35 °C for no less than 14 days. Notwithstanding such transfer of material, examination of the original vessels shall be continued as prescribed above. The additional test vessels shall be examined visually for evidence of growth on the third, fourth, or fifth day of incubation, and on the seventh or eighth day, and on the last day of the incubation period. If growth appears, repeat tests may be performed as prescribed in paragraph (b) of this section and interpreted as specified in paragraph (c) of this section.

(ii) *Final container material containing a mercurial preservative.* In addition to the test prescribed in paragraph (a)(1)(i) of this section, final container material containing a mercurial preservative shall be tested using Fluid Thioglycollate Medium following the procedures prescribed in such subparagraph, except that the incubation shall be at a temperature of 20 to 25 °C.

(2) *Using Soybean-Casein Digest Medium.* Except for products containing a mercurial preservative, a test shall be made on final container material, following the procedures prescribed in paragraph (a)(1)(i) of this section, except that the medium shall be Soybean-Casein Digest Medium and the incubation shall be at a temperature of 20 to 25 °C.

(b) *Repeat tests.* If growth appears in any of the test media during testing of either bulk or final container material, the test may be repeated to rule out faulty test procedures as follows:

(1) *Repeat bulk test.* Only one repeat bulk test may be conducted. The volume of inoculum to be used for the repeat bulk test shall be as prescribed in paragraph (d)(1) of this section. The repeat test shall be performed using the procedure prescribed in paragraph (a)(1)(i) of this section.

(2) *First repeat final container test.* The number of test samples and the volumes of product used for the first repeat test shall be as prescribed in paragraph (d)(2) of this section. For products that do not contain a mercurial preservative, the repeat test shall be performed, using both Fluid Thioglycollate Medium and Soybean-Casein Digest Medium, following the procedures prescribed in paragraphs (a)(1)(i) and (a)(2), respectively, of this section. If the product contains a mercurial preservative, the repeat test shall be performed using Fluid Thioglycollate Medium and the procedures prescribed in paragraphs (a)(1) (i) and (ii) of this section.

(3) *Second repeat final container test.* If growth appears in any of the first repeat final container tests, all tests of the first repeat final container test shall be repeated, provided there was no evidence of growth in any test of the bulk material. The test samples used for the second repeat final container test shall be twice the number used for the first repeat final container test.

(c) *Interpretation of test results.* The results of all tests performed on a lot shall be considered in determining whether or not the lot meets the requirements for sterility, except that tests may be excluded when demonstrated by adequate controls to be invalid. The lot meets the test requirements if no growth appears in the tests prescribed in paragraph (a) of this section. If repeat tests are performed, the lot meets the test requirements if no growth appears in the tests prescribed in paragraph (b)(2) or (3) of this section, whichever is applicable.

(d) *Test samples and volumes—(1) Bulk.* Each sample for the bulk sterility test shall be representative of the bulk material and the volume tested shall be no less than 10 ml. (Note exceptions in paragraph (g) of this section.)

(2) *Final containers.* The sample used for each test medium or each incubation temperature of a test medium for the final container and first repeat final container test shall be no less than 20 final containers from each filling of each lot, selected to represent all stages of filling from the bulk vessel. If the amount of material in the final container is 1.0 milliliter or less, the entire contents shall be tested. If the amount of material in the final container is more than 1.0 milliliter, the volume tested shall be the largest single dose recommended by the manufacturer or 1.0 milliliter, whichever is larger, but no more than 10 milliliters of material or the entire contents from a single final container need be tested. If more than 2 filling machines, each with either single or multiple filling stations, are used for filling one lot, no less than 10 filled containers shall be tested from each filling machine for each test medium or each incubation temperature condition, but no more than 100 containers of each lot need be tested. The items tested shall be representative of each filling assembly and shall be selected to represent all stages of the filling operation. (Note exceptions in paragraph (g) of this section.)

(e) *Culture medium*—(1) *Formulae.* (i) The formula for Fluid Thioglycollate Medium is as follows:

FLUID THIOGLYCOLLATE MEDIUM

1-cystine	0.5 gm.
Sodium chloride	2.5 gm.
Dextrose (C ₆ H ₁₂ O ₆ ·H ₂ O)	5.5 gm.
Granular agar (less than 15% moisture by weight)	0.75 gm.
Yeast extract (water-soluble)	5.0 gm.
Pancreatic digest of casein	15.0 gm.
Purified water	1,000.0 ml.
Sodium thioglycollate (or thioglycolic acid—0.3 ml)	0.5 gm.
Resazurin (0.10% solution, 1.0 ml. freshly prepared)	
pH after sterilization	7.1±0.2.

(ii) The formula for Soybean-Casein Digest Medium is as follows:

SOYBEAN-CASEIN DIGEST MEDIUM

Pancreatic Digest of Casein	17.0 gm.
Papaic Digest of Soybean Meal	3.0 gm.
Sodium Chloride	5.0 gm.
Dibasic Potassium Phosphate	2.5 gm.
Dextrose (C ₆ H ₁₂ O ₆ ·H ₂ O)	2.5 gm.
Purified water	1,000.0 ml.
pH after sterilization	7.3±0.2.

(2) *Culture media requirements*—(i) *Definition of a lot of culture medium and test requirements.* A lot of culture medium is that quantity of uniform material identified as having been thoroughly mixed in a single vessel, dispensed into a group of vessels of the same composition and design, sterilized in a single autoclave run, and identified in a manner to distinguish one lot from another. Each lot of culture medium shall be tested for its growth-promoting qualities unless it meets the exception for dehydrated culture medium described in this subpart. The growth-promoting quality test shall be performed on the smallest sized vessel used in an autoclave run. When using a single batch of dehydrated culture medium, a manufacturer need not perform growth-promoting tests on each lot of prepared liquid medium, provided that a validation program exists for autoclaves used to sterilize the culture medium, and the manufacturer has received approval for this practice from the Director, Center for Biologics Evaluation and Research.

(ii) *Test organisms, strains, characteristics, identity, and verification.* Two or more strains of microorganisms that are exacting in their nutritive and aerobic/anaerobic requirements shall be used to test the growth-promoting qualities of each lot of test medium. When using Fluid Thioglycollate medium, both an aerobic and an anaerobic test microorganism shall be chosen. When using Soybean Casein Digest Medium, the yeast, *Candida albicans*, shall be one of the two test microorganisms chosen. Manufacturers shall choose the strains of microorganisms from the chart in this paragraph.

Medium	Test microorganisms	Incubation temperature
Fluid Thioglycollate	<p><i>Spore-formers</i></p> <p>1. <i>Bacillus subtilis</i> (ATCC No. 6633)</p> <p>2. <i>Clostridium sporogenes</i> (ATCC No. 11437)</p> <p><i>Non-spore-formers</i></p>	30 to 35 °C. Do.

Medium	Test microorganisms	Incubation temperature
Soybean-Casein Digest	3. <i>Candida albicans</i> (ATCC No. 10231)	Do.
	4. <i>Micrococcus luteus</i> (ATCC No. 9341)	Do.
	5. <i>Bacteroides vulgatus</i> (ATCC No. 8482)	Do.
	<i>Spore-formers</i>	
	1. <i>Bacillus subtilis</i> (ATCC No. 6633)	20 to 25 °C.
	<i>Non-spore-formers</i>	
	2. <i>Candida albicans</i> (ATCC No. 10231)	Do.
	3. <i>Micrococcus luteus</i> (ATCC No. 9341)	Do.

ATCC strains of microorganisms described in this section are available from the American Type Culture Collection, 12301 Parklawn Dr., Rockville, MD 20852. Periodic tests shall be performed to verify the integrity of the test organisms in accordance with §610.18 (a) and (b). The results of these periodic tests shall be recorded and retained in accordance with §600.12(b) of this chapter.

(iii) *Storage and maintenance of cultures of test organisms.* Cultures of the test organisms used to determine the growth-promoting qualities of the medium shall be stored in a manner that will prevent cross contamination or loss of identity, at a temperatre and by a method that will retain the initial characteristics of the organisms and ensure freedom from contamination and deterioration. If the test organisms are stored in the freeze-dried state, or frozen, they shall be reconstituted or thawed, whichever is applicable, and plated periodically to verify the colony count of the suspension. If the test suspensions are stored in a state other than freeze-dried or frozen, they shall be plated, and a colony count shall be performed at the time of each growth-promoting quality test to assure that not more than 100 organisms are used per test vessel. The results of tests for verification of the colony count shall be recorded and retained in accordance with §600.12(b) of this chapter.

(iv) *Storage and condition of media.* A medium shall not be used if the extent of evaporation affects its fluidity, nor shall it be reused in a sterility test of the product. Fluid Thioglycollate Medium shall be stored in the dark at room temperature if the vessels are unsealed. Sealed vessels shall be stored at the manufacturer's specified storage temperature.

Fluid Thioglycollate Medium shall not be used if more than the upper one-third of the medium has acquired a pink color. The medium may be restored once by heating on a steam bath or in free-flowing steam until the pink color disappears. The design of the test vessel for Fluid Thioglycollate Medium shall provide favorable aerobic and anaerobic conditions for growth of the microorganisms throughout the test period. Soybean-Casein Digest Medium shall be stored in the dark at 20 to 25 °C. Unsealed vessels of either medium may be stored for more than 10 days at the proper temperature, provided they are tested monthly for growth-promotion and found to be satisfactory. Sealed vessels of either medium may be stored at the proper temperature for a period of time not to exceed 1 year, provided they are tested for growth-promotion every 3 months and found to be satisfactory. The results of such testing shall be recorded and retained in accordance with §600.12(b) of this chapter.

(v) *Criteria for a satisfactory growth-promoting quality test.* (a) One hundred or fewer organisms of each strain tested shall be used. The test is satisfactory if evidence of growth appears within 7 days in all vessels inoculated. If a lot of medium fails to support the growth of any test organism, or if the test results show that more than 100 organisms of a strain were used or are necessary to promote growth in the lot of medium being tested, or if the growth is not a pure culture of the test organism, a second test may be performed. If it fails the second test, the lot of medium shall be rejected.

(b) Inoculated Fluid Thioglycollate Medium shall be incubated at 30 to 35 °C for 7 days. If the test medium is to be used in determining the sterility of

a product containing a mercurial preservative, a second test shall be performed in accordance with paragraph (e)(2)(v)(a) of this section, except that the test shall be incubated at 20 to 25 °C for 7 days. Inoculated Soybean-Casein Digest Medium shall be incubated at 20 to 25 °C for 7 days. The sterility of each lot of medium shall be confirmed by the incubation of uninoculated control test vessels for 7 days at the temperature(s) for that particular medium. The lot of medium is satisfactory if no growth is observed in the control test vessels within the incubation period. The tests for growth-promoting qualities of culture media may be performed simultaneously with sterility testing of biological products, provided the sterility test is considered invalid if the test medium shows no growth response.

(vi) *Volume of culture medium.* The volume of each culture medium shall be determined for each bulk and final container sterility test required for each product. The ratio of the volume of inoculum to the volume of culture medium shall result in a dilution of the product that is not bacteriostatic or fungistatic, except for products to be tested by membrane filtration. The volume of inhibitors or neutralizers of preservatives added should be considered in determining the proper ratio of inoculum/medium. Vessels of the product-medium mixture(s) and control vessels of the medium shall be inoculated with dilutions of cultures of bacteria or fungi which are viable in the product being tested, and incubated at the appropriate temperature for no less than 7 days.

(f) *Membrane filtration.* Bulk and final container material or products containing oil products in water-insoluble ointments may be tested for sterility using the membrane filtration procedure set forth in the United States Pharmacopeia (23d Revision, 1995), section entitled "Test Procedures Using Membrane Filtration," pp. 1689 to 1690, which is incorporated by reference in accordance with 5 U.S.C. 552(a) and 1 CFR part 51. Copies are available from the United States Pharmacopeial Convention, Inc., 12601 Twinbrook Pkwy., Rockville, MD 20852, or available for inspection at the Center for Drug Evalua-

tion and Research's Division of Medical Library, 5600 Fishers Lane, rm. 11B-40, Rockville, MD, or at the Office of the Federal Register, 800 North Capitol St. NW., suite 700, Washington, DC, except that:

(1) The test samples shall conform with paragraph (d) of this section; and

(2) In addition, for products containing a mercurial preservative, the product shall be tested in a second test using Fluid Thioglycollate Medium incubated at 20 to 25 °C in lieu of the test in Soybean-Casein Digest Medium.

(g) *Exceptions.* Bulk and final container material shall be tested for sterility as described above in this section, except as follows:

(1) *Different sterility tests prescribed.* When different sterility tests are prescribed for a product in this subchapter.

(2) *Alternate incubation temperatures.* Two tests may be performed as prescribed in paragraph (a)(1)(i) of this section, one test using an incubation temperature of 18 to 22 °C, the other test using an incubation temperature of 30 to 37 °C, in lieu of performing one test using an incubation temperature of 30 to 35 °C, provided that growth-promoting quality tests have been performed at these temperatures.

(3) [Reserved]

(4) *Test precluded or not required.* (i) The tests prescribed in this section need not be performed for Whole Blood, Cryoprecipitated AHF, Platelets, Red Blood Cells, Plasma, Source Plasma, Smallpox Vaccine, Reagent Red Blood Cells, Anti-Human Globulin, or Blood Grouping Reagent.

(ii) Where a manufacturer submits data which the Director, Center for Biologics Evaluation and Research, finds adequate to establish that the mode of administration, the method of preparation, or the special nature of the product precludes or does not require a sterility test or that the sterility of the lot is not necessary to assure the safety, purity, and potency of the product, the Director may exempt a product from the sterility requirements of this section subject to any conditions necessary to assure the safety, purity, and potency of the product.

(5) *Number of final containers more than 20, less than 200.* If the number of

final containers in the filling is more than 20 or less than 200, the sample shall be no less than 10 percent of the containers.

(6) *Number of final containers—20 or less.* If the number of final containers in a filling is 20 or less, the sample shall be two final containers, or the sample need be no more than one final container, provided (i) the bulk material met the sterility test requirements and (ii) after filling, it is demonstrated by testing a simulated sample that all surfaces to which the product was exposed were free of contaminating microorganisms. The simulated sample shall be prepared by rinsing the filling equipment with sterile 1.0 percent peptone solution, pH 7.1±0.1, which shall be discharged into a final container by the same method used for filling the final containers with the product.

(7) *Samples—large volume of product in final containers.* For Albumin (Human) and Plasma Protein Fraction (Human), when the volume of product in the final container is 50 milliliters or more, the final containers selected as the test sample may contain less than the full volume of product in the final containers of the filling from which the sample is taken: *Provided*, That the containers and closures of the sample are identical with those used for the filling to which the test applies, and the sample represents all stages of that filling.

(8) *Diagnostic biological products not intended for injection.* For diagnostic biological products not intended for injection, (i) only the Fluid Thioglycollate Medium test incubated at 30 to 35 °C is required, (ii) the volume of material for the bulk test shall be no less than 2.0 milliliters, and (iii) the sample for the final container test shall be no less than three final containers if the total number filled is 100 or less, and, if greater, one additional container for each additional 50 containers or fraction thereof, but the sample need be no more than 10 containers.

(9) *Immune globulin preparations.* For immune globulin preparations, the test samples from the bulk material and from each final container need be no more than 2.0 ml.

(h) *Records.* The records related to the testing requirements of this sec-

tion shall be prepared and maintained as required by §§211.167 and 211.194 of this chapter.

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§610.13 Purity.

Products shall be free of extraneous material except that which is unavoidable in the manufacturing process described in the approved license. In addition, products shall be tested as provided in paragraphs (a) and (b) of this section.

(a)(1) *Test for residual moisture.* Each lot of dried product shall be tested for residual moisture and shall meet and not exceed established limits as specified by an approved method on file in the product license application. The test for residual moisture may be exempted by the Director, Center for Biologics Evaluation and Research, when deemed not necessary for the continued safety, purity, and potency of the product.

(2) *Records.* Appropriate records for residual moisture under paragraph (a)(1) of this section shall be prepared and maintained as required by the applicable provisions of §§211.188 and 211.194 of this chapter.

(b) *Test for pyrogenic substances.* Each lot of final containers of any product intended for use by injection shall be tested for pyrogenic substances by intravenous injection into rabbits as provided in paragraphs (b) (1) and (2) of this section: *Provided*, That notwithstanding any other provision of Subchapter F of this chapter, the test for pyrogenic substances is not required for the following products: Products containing formed blood elements; Cryoprecipitate; Plasma; Source Plasma; Normal Horse Serum; bacterial, viral, and rickettsial vaccines and antigens; toxoids; toxins; allergenic extracts; venoms; diagnostic substances and trivalent organic arsenicals.

(1) *Test dose.* The test dose for each rabbit shall be at least 3 milliliters per kilogram of body weight of the rabbit and also shall be at least equivalent proportionately, on a body weight basis, to the maximum single human dose recommended, but need not exceed 10 milliliters per kilogram of body weight of the rabbit, except that: (i) Regardless of the human dose recommended, the test dose per kilogram of body weight of each rabbit shall be at least 1 milliliter for immune globulins derived from human blood; (ii) for Streptokinase, the test dose shall be at least equivalent proportionately, on a body weight basis, to the maximum single human dose recommended.

(2) *Test procedure, results, and interpretation; standards to be met.* The test for pyrogenic substances shall be performed according to the requirements specified in United States Pharmacopeia XX.

(3) *Retest.* If the lot fails to meet the test requirements prescribed in paragraph (b)(2) of this section, the test may be repeated once using five other rabbits. The temperature rises recorded for all eight rabbits used in testing shall be included in determining whether the requirements are met. The lot meets the requirements for absence of pyrogens if not more than three of the eight rabbits show individual rises in temperature of 0.6 °C or more, and if the sum of the eight individual maximum temperature rises does not exceed 3.7 °C.

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§ 610.14 Identity.

The contents of a final container of each filling of each lot shall be tested for identity after all labeling operations shall have been completed. The identity test shall be specific for each product in a manner that will adequately identify it as the product des-

ignated on final container and package labels and circulars, and distinguish it from any other product being processed in the same laboratory. Identity may be established either through the physical or chemical characteristics of the product, inspection by macroscopic or microscopic methods, specific cultural tests, or in vitro or in vivo immunological tests.

§ 610.15 Constituent materials.

(a) *Ingredients, preservatives, diluents, adjuvants.* All ingredients used in a licensed product, and any diluent provided as an aid in the administration of the product, shall meet generally accepted standards of purity and quality. Any preservative used shall be sufficiently nontoxic so that the amount present in the recommended dose of the product will not be toxic to the recipient, and in the combination used it shall not denature the specific substances in the product to result in a decrease below the minimum acceptable potency within the dating period when stored at the recommended temperature. Products in multiple-dose containers shall contain a preservative, except that a preservative need not be added to Yellow Fever Vaccine; Poliovirus Vaccine Live Oral; viral vaccines labeled for use with the jet injector; dried vaccines when the accompanying diluent contains a preservative; or to an Allergenic Product in 50 percent or more volume in volume (v/v) glycerin. An adjuvant shall not be introduced into a product unless there is satisfactory evidence that it does not affect adversely the safety or potency of the product. The amount of aluminum in the recommended individual dose of a biological product shall not exceed:

(1) 0.85 milligrams if determined by assay;

(2) 1.14 milligrams if determined by calculation on the basis of the amount of aluminum compound added; or

(3) 1.25 milligrams determined by assay provided that data demonstrating that the amount of aluminum used is safe and necessary to produce the intended effect are submitted to and approved by the Director, Center for Biologics Evaluation and Research.

(b) *Extraneous protein; cell culture produced vaccines.* Extraneous protein

known to be capable of producing allergic effects in human subjects shall not be added to a final virus medium of cell culture produced vaccines intended for injection. If serum is used at any stage, its calculated concentration in the final medium shall not exceed 1:1,000,000.

(c) *Antibiotics.* A minimum concentration of antibiotics, other than penicillin, may be added to the production substrate of viral vaccines.

[38 FR 32056, Nov. 20, 1973, as amended at 46 FR 51903, Oct. 23, 1981; 48 FR 13025, Mar. 29, 1983; 48 FR 37023, Aug. 16, 1983; 49 FR 23834, June 8, 1984; 50 FR 4134, Jan. 29, 1985; 51 FR 15607, Apr. 25, 1986; 55 FR 11013, Mar. 26, 1990]

§610.16 Total solids in serums.

Except as otherwise provided by regulation, no liquid serum or antitoxin shall contain more than 20 percent total solids.

§610.17 Permissible combinations.

Licensed products may not be combined with other licensed products either therapeutic, prophylactic or diagnostic, except as a license is obtained for the combined product. Licensed products may not be combined with nonlicensable therapeutic, prophylactic, or diagnostic substances except as a license is obtained for such combination.

§610.18 Cultures.

(a) *Storage and maintenance.* Cultures used in the manufacture of products shall be stored in a secure and orderly manner, at a temperature and by a method that will retain the initial characteristics of the organisms and insure freedom from contamination and deterioration.

(b) *Identity and verification.* Each culture shall be clearly identified as to source strain. A complete identification of the strain shall be made for each new stock culture preparation. Primary and subsequent seed lots shall be identified by lot number and date of preparation. Periodic tests shall be performed as often as necessary to verify the integrity of the strain characteristics and freedom from extraneous organisms. Results of all periodic tests for verification of cultures and determina-

tion of freedom from extraneous organisms shall be recorded and retained.

(c) *Cell lines used for manufacturing biological products—(1) General requirements.* Cell lines used for manufacturing biological products shall be:

(i) Identified by history;

(ii) Described with respect to cytogenetic characteristics and tumorigenicity;

(iii) Characterized with respect to in vitro growth characteristics and life potential; and

(iv) Tested for the presence of detectable microbial agents.

(2) *Tests.* Tests that are necessary to assure the safety, purity, and potency of a product may be required by the Director, Center for Biologics Evaluation and Research.

(3) *Applicability.* This paragraph applies to diploid and nondiploid cell lines. Primary cell cultures that are not subcultivated and primary cell cultures that are subsequently subcultivated for only a very limited number of population doublings are not subject to the provisions of this paragraph (c).

(d) *Records.* The records appropriate for cultures under this section shall be prepared and maintained as required by the applicable provisions of §§ 211.188 and 211.194 of this chapter.

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§610.19 Status of specific products; Group A streptococcus.

The presence of Group A streptococcus organisms and derivatives of Group A streptococcus in Bacterial Vaccines and Bacterial Antigens with "No U.S. Standard of Potency" may induce dangerous tissue reactions in humans. Available data demonstrate that they are unsafe as ingredients in products for human use. Group A streptococcus organisms and derivatives of Group A streptococcus are prohibited from Bacterial Vaccines and Bacterial Antigens with "No U.S. Standard of Potency." Any Bacterial Vaccine or Bacterial Antigen with "No U.S. Standard of Potency" containing Group A streptococcus organisms or derivatives of Group

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A streptococcus in interstate commerce is in violation of section 351 of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 262).

[44 FR 1549, Jan. 5, 1979]

Subpart C—Standard Preparations and Limits of Potency

§ 610.20 Standard preparations.

Standard preparations made available by the Center for Biologics Evaluation and Research shall be applied in testing, as follows:

(a) *Potency standards.* Potency standards shall be applied in testing for potency all forms of the following:

ANTIBODIES

Botulism Antitoxin, Type A.
Botulism Antitoxin, Type B.
Botulism Antitoxin, Type E.
Diphtheria Antitoxin.
Histolyticus Antitoxin.
Oedematiens Antitoxin.
Perfringens Antitoxin.
Antipertussis Serum.
Antirabies Serum.
Sordellii Antitoxin.
Staphylococcus Antitoxin.
Tetanus Antitoxin.
Vibron Septique Antitoxin.

ANTIGENS

Cholera Vaccine, Inaba serotype.
Cholera Vaccine, Ogawa serotype.
Diphtheria Toxin for Schick Test.
Pertussis Vaccine.
Tuberculin, Old.
Tuberculin, Purified Protein Derivative.
Typhoid Vaccine.

BLOOD DERIVATIVE

Thrombin.

(b) *Opacity standard.* The U.S. Opacity Standard shall be applied in estimating the bacterial concentration of all bacterial vaccines. The assigned value of the standard when observed visually is 10 units. The assigned value of the standard when observed with a photometer is (1) 10 units when the wavelength of the filter is 530 millimicrons, (2) 10.6 units when the wavelength of the filter is 650 millimicrons,

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and (3) 9 units when the wavelength of the filter is 420 millimicrons.

[38 FR 32056, Nov. 20, 1973, as amended at 41 FR 10429, Mar. 11, 1976; 41 FR 18295, May 3, 1976; 49 FR 23834, June 8, 1984; 55 FR 11013, Mar. 26, 1990]

§ 610.21 Limits of potency.

The potency of the following products shall be not less than that set forth below and products dispensed in the dried state shall represent liquid products having the stated limitations.

ANTIBODIES

Diphtheria Antitoxin, 500 units per milliliter.
Tetanus Antitoxin, 400 units per milliliter.
Tetanus Immune Globulin (Human), 50 units of tetanus antitoxin per milliliter.

ANTIGENS

Cholera Vaccine, 8 units each of Inaba and Ogawa serotype antigens per milliliter.
Pertussis Vaccine, 12 units per total human immunizing dose.
Typhoid Vaccine, 8 units per milliliter.

[41 FR 10429, Mar. 11, 1976, as amended at 41 FR 18295, May 3, 1976]

Subpart D—Mycoplasma

§ 610.30 Test for Mycoplasma.

Except as provided otherwise in this subchapter, prior to clarification or filtration in the case of live virus vaccines produced from in vitro living cell cultures, and prior to inactivation in the case of inactivated virus vaccines produced from such living cell cultures, each virus harvest pool and control fluid pool shall be tested for the presence of *Mycoplasma*, as follows:

Samples of the virus for this test shall be stored either (1) between 2 and 8 °C. for no longer than 24 hours, or (2) at –20 °C. or lower if stored for longer than 24 hours. The test shall be performed on samples of the viral harvest pool and on control fluid pool obtained at the time of viral harvest, as follows: No less than 2.0 ml. of each sample shall be inoculated in evenly distributed amounts over the surface of no less than 10 plates of at least two agar media. No less than 1.0 ml. of sample shall be inoculated into each of four tubes containing 10 ml. of a semisolid broth medium. The media shall be such as have been shown to be capable of

detecting known *Mycoplasma* and each test shall include control cultures of at least two known strains of *Mycoplasma*, one of which must be *M. pneumoniae*. One half of the plates and two tubes of broth shall be incubated aerobically at 36 °C. ±1 °C. and the remaining plates and tubes shall be incubated anaerobically at 36 °C. ±1 °C. in an environment of 5–10 percent CO₂ in N₂. Aerobic incubation shall be for a period of no less than 14 days and the broth in the two tubes shall be tested after 3 days and 14 days, at which times 0.5 ml. of broth from each of the two tubes shall be combined and subinoculated on to no less than 4 additional plates and incubated aerobically. Anaerobic incubation shall be for no less than 14 days and the broth in the two tubes shall be tested after 3 days and 14 days, at which times 0.5 ml. of broth from each of the two tubes shall be combined and subinoculated onto no less than four additional plates and incubated anaerobically. All inoculated plates shall be incubated for no less than 14 days, at which time observation for growth of *Mycoplasma* shall be made at a magnification of no less than 300x. If the Dienes Methylene Blue-Azure dye or an equivalent staining procedure is used, no less than a one square cm. plug of the agar shall be excised from the inoculated area and examined for the presence of *Mycoplasma*. The presence of the *Mycoplasma* shall be determined by comparison of the growth obtained from the test samples with that of the control cultures, with respect to typical colonial and microscopic morphology. The virus pool is satisfactory for vaccine manufacture if none of the tests on the samples show evidence of the presence of *Mycoplasma*.

Subpart E—Hepatitis Requirements

§ 610.40 Test for hepatitis B surface antigen.

(a) *Test sensitivity.* Each donation of blood, plasma, or serum to be used in preparing a biological product shall be tested for the presence of hepatitis B surface antigen by a method of sufficient sensitivity to detect all sera labeled A, (A), B, (B), and C in the Reference Hepatitis B Surface Antigen Panel distributed by the Center for Biologics Evaluation and Research; except that, in emergency situations, a test method of sufficient sensitivity to detect all sera labeled A, (A), and B in the Reference Hepatitis B Surface Antigen Panel may be used and, in dire emergency situations, blood and blood products may be issued without any HB_s Ag testing, provided that a test

otherwise required by this paragraph is performed as soon as possible after issuance of the blood and blood product.

(b) *Procedures.* Only Antibody to Hepatitis B Surface Antigen licensed under this subchapter shall be used in performing the test and the test method(s) used shall be that for which the antibody product is specifically designed to be effective as recommended by the manufacturer in the package insert. The sample of blood, plasma, or serum to be tested shall have been taken from the donor at the time of donation of that unit. The test need not be performed on the day of the withdrawal of the sample. If the radioimmunoassay method is used, it must be performed in one of the following ways:

(1) The complete test is performed at the collection facility.

(2) The test is performed at the collection facility up to the point of counting the radioactivity of the samples, which counting, thereafter, is performed at another facility by personnel from the collection facility or by personnel from the counting facility.

(3) The complete test is performed by the personnel at an establishment licensed to manufacture blood or blood derivatives under section 351(a) of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 262(a)), or by a clinical laboratory which meets the standards of the Clinical Laboratories Improvement Act of 1967 (CLIA) (42 U.S.C. 263a), provided the establishment or the clinical laboratory is qualified to perform radioimmunoassay testing for the presence of hepatitis B surface antigen.

(4) Except as provided in this paragraph (b)(4), a collection facility shall not ship any blood product as a biological product or ship such a blood product where it is intended for use in manufacturing a biological product until the test for hepatitis B surface antigen is completed and the written test results are received by the collection facility. Notwithstanding the provisions of § 610.1 of this chapter, in the case of an emergency, or as otherwise approved in writing by the Director, Center for Biologics Evaluation and Research, a collection facility may ship a blood product before the test for hepatitis B surface antigen is completed. To

obtain approval for such shipments, the collection facility shall submit a description of the control procedures to be used by both the collection facility and the manufacturing facility to the Director, Center for Biologics Evaluation and Research (HFB-1), Food and Drug Administration, 8800 Rockville Pike, Bethesda, MD 20892. The control procedures to be used by the collection facility and the manufacturing facility shall include, but may not be limited to, a system of communicating the test results to the manufacturing facility, use of specific labeling warnings for the product to ensure that persons handling the shipment know that it may be infectious, procedures for quarantine of the untested or incompletely tested product both at the collection facility and at the manufacturing facility, and a procedure at the manufacturing facility to identify, preclude use of, and dispose of any blood product that is received and later found to be reactive for hepatitis B surface antigen.

(c) *Materials in storage.* All blood, plasma, or serum in storage which has not been tested for the presence of the hepatitis B surface antigen shall be tested as required in paragraphs (a) and (b) of this section before use as a biological product, or before use in the manufacture of a biological product. All blood, plasma, or serum in storage which has been tested for the presence of the hepatitis B surface antigen by a method of second generation sensitivity may be used as a biological product or in manufacture of a biological product, provided it is used on or before March 15, 1976.

(d) *Restrictions on use.* Blood, plasma, or serum that is reactive when tested for hepatitis B surface antigen or that was collected from a donor known to be reactive for hepatitis B surface antigen shall not be used in manufacturing biological products except as provided in paragraphs (d) (1) and (2) of this section.

(1) *Injectable biological products and licensed in vitro diagnostic biological products.* Blood, plasma, or serum that is reactive when tested for hepatitis B surface antigen or that was collected from a donor known to be reactive for hepatitis B surface antigen may be

used in manufacturing hepatitis B vaccine and licensed in vitro diagnostic biological products if all of the following conditions are met:

(i) The final product cannot be prepared from blood, plasma, or serum that is nonreactive when tested for hepatitis B surface antigen, due either to the nature or to the scarcity of the final product.

(ii) The label of the source blood, plasma, or serum conspicuously states either that it is reactive when tested for hepatitis B surface antigen and it may transmit viral hepatitis; or that the source blood, plasma, or serum was collected from a donor known to be reactive for hepatitis B surface antigen and it may transmit viral hepatitis, although confirmatory hepatitis testing has not been done.

(iii) The package label of the licensed in vitro diagnostic biological product prepared from such blood, plasma, or serum states conspicuously that either the product was prepared from source material that was reactive when tested for hepatitis B surface antigen and it may transmit viral hepatitis; or that the source material was collected from a donor known to be reactive for hepatitis B surface antigen and it may transmit viral hepatitis, although confirmatory hepatitis testing has not been done.

(iv) The package label of the licensed injectable biological product prepared from such blood, plasma, or serum states that the product has been inactivated.

(v) The Director, Center for Biologics Evaluation and Research (HFB-1), Food and Drug Administration, 8800 Rockville Pike, Bethesda MD 20892, is notified in writing at the time of the shipment, or in the case of repetitive shipments, or April 1 and October 1 of each year, of each shipment of source blood, plasma, or serum for manufacture into hepatitis B vaccine or into a licensed in vitro diagnostic biological product. Such shipments shall not be subject to the requirements of paragraph (b)(3) of this section. Each notification shall identify the kind and amount of source material shipped, the name and address of the consignee, the date of shipment, and the manner in which the source material is labeled.

(2) *Unlicensed in vitro diagnostic biological products.* Blood, plasma, or serum that is reactive when tested for hepatitis B surface antigen or that was collected from a donor known to be reactive for hepatitis B surface antigen may be used in manufacturing unlicensed in vitro diagnostic biological products including clinical chemistry control reagents if all of the following conditions are met:

(i) The final product cannot be prepared from blood, plasma, or serum that is nonreactive when tested for hepatitis B surface antigen, due either to the nature or to the scarcity of the final product.

(ii) The label of the source blood, plasma, or serum states conspicuously that either it is reactive when tested for hepatitis B surface antigen and it may transmit viral hepatitis; or that the source blood, plasma, or serum was collected from a donor known to be reactive for hepatitis B surface antigen and it may transmit viral hepatitis, although confirmatory hepatitis testing has not been done.

(iii) The manufacturer of the source blood, plasma, or serum obtains written assurance from the manufacturer(s) of the final unlicensed product that package labels of all unlicensed products will conspicuously state, as required by §809.10(a)(4) of this chapter, that the product was prepared from blood, plasma, or serum that was reactive when tested for hepatitis B surface antigen and it may transmit viral hepatitis; or that the source material was collected from a donor known to be reactive for hepatitis B surface antigen and it may transmit viral hepatitis, although confirmatory hepatitis testing has not been done.

(iv) At the time of shipment, the Director, Center for Biologics Evaluation and Research (HFB-1), Food and Drug Administration, 8800 Rockville Pike, Bethesda, MD 20892, is notified in writing of each shipment of source blood, plasma, or serum signifying the kind and the amount of source material shipped, the name and address of the consignee, the date of shipment, and the manner in which such source material was labeled. Such shipments shall not be subject to the requirements of paragraph (b)(3) of this section.

(e) *Manufacturing responsibility.* When the radioimmunoassay method for hepatitis B surface antigen testing is performed by personnel other than those of the facility collecting the blood, plasma, or serum, as provided in paragraph (b) of this section, it shall not be considered as divided manufacturing as described in §610.63, provided the following conditions are met:

(1) The collecting facility has obtained a written agreement that the testing laboratory will permit authorized representatives of the Food and Drug Administration to inspect its testing procedures and facilities during reasonable business hours.

(2) The testing laboratory will participate in any proficiency testing programs undertaken by the Center for Biologics Evaluation and Research, Food and Drug Administration.

(f) The information collection requirements in paragraph (d) of this section were approved by the Office of Management and Budget and assigned OMB control number 0910-0136.

(Information collection requirements contained in paragraph (b)(4) were approved by the Office of Management and Budget under control number 0910-0168)

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§610.41 History of hepatitis B surface antigen.

A person known to have previously tested positive for hepatitis B surface antigen, testing positive, or both, may not serve as a donor of human blood, plasma, or serum, except that under §640.120 of this chapter, such a donor may serve as a source of hepatitis B surface antigen for the manufacture of hepatitis B vaccine or the preparation of a diagnostic product for laboratory tests, or a person known to have previously tested positive for hepatitis B surface antigen may serve as a source of antibody to hepatitis B surface antigen for the preparation of a biological product or a diagnostic product for laboratory tests.

[48 FR 23182, May 24, 1983, as amended at 57 FR 10814, Mar. 31, 1992]

§ 610.45 Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) requirements.

(a) *Testing requirements.* (1) Each donation of human blood or blood components intended for use in preparing a product shall be tested for antibody to HIV by a test approved for such use by FDA, except as otherwise approved in writing by FDA. When the test for antibody to HIV is required, blood and blood products may be issued before the results of the test for antibody to HIV are available only in dire emergency situations or as otherwise approved in writing by FDA and, provided the test required by this paragraph is performed as soon as possible after issuance of the blood or blood product.

(2) Tests approved by FDA for the screening of blood and blood components for evidence of HIV may only be used in place of a test for antibody to HIV to satisfy the requirements of this section and related sections if so specified by FDA.

(b) *Testing responsibility.* The test for antibody to HIV shall be performed by the collection facility, by personnel of an establishment licensed to manufacture blood or blood derivatives under section 351(a) of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 262(a)), or by a clinical laboratory which meets the standards of the Clinical Laboratory Improvement Act of 1967 (CLIA) (42 U.S.C. 263a), provided the establishment or clinical laboratory is qualified to perform the test.

(c) *Restrictions on use.* (1) Blood, plasma, or other blood components that are repeatedly reactive to a test for antibody to HIV or that were collected from a donor whose blood is known to be repeatedly reactive to a test for antibody to HIV, shall not be shipped or used to prepare any product, including products not subject to licensure; except that such blood and blood components shall be shipped or used only for purposes and under conditions specifically approved in writing by FDA.

(2) The restrictions on use contained in this paragraph shall not apply in the following cases:

(i) Blood and blood components testing repeatedly reactive or from a donor whose blood is known to be repeatedly reactive that are shown to be negative for evidence of HIV infection by a

method or process approved for such use by FDA;

(ii) The distribution of blood, plasma, or serum samples, except when intended for use in the manufacture of a product;

(iii) The in-house use of blood and blood components for research purposes; or

(iv) The distribution of blood and blood components for research purposes, if not distributed by sale, barter, or exchange.

(d) For a donor whose test results for antibody to HIV are repeatedly reactive or otherwise determined to be unsuitable when tested in accordance with paragraph (a) of this section, the blood establishment shall comply, as applicable, with §§ 610.46 and 610.47.

[53 FR 116, Jan. 5, 1988, as amended at 61 FR 47423, Sept. 9, 1996]

§ 610.46 “Lookback” requirements.

(a) *Quarantine and notification.* (1) All blood and plasma establishments are required to take appropriate action when a donor of Whole Blood, blood components, Source Plasma and Source Leukocytes tests repeatedly reactive for antibody to human immunodeficiency virus (HIV), or otherwise is determined to be unsuitable when tested in accordance with § 610.45. For Whole Blood, blood components, Source Plasma and Source Leukocytes collected from that donor within the 5 years prior to the repeatedly reactive test, if intended for transfusion, or collected within the 6 months prior to the repeatedly reactive test, if intended for further manufacture into injectable products, except those products exempt from quarantine in accordance with § 610.46(c), the blood establishment shall promptly, within 72 hours:

(i) Quarantine all such Whole Blood, blood components, Source Plasma and Source Leukocytes from previous collections held at that establishment; and

(ii) Notify consignees of the repeatedly reactive HIV screening test results so that all Whole Blood, blood components, Source Plasma and Source Leukocytes from previous collections they hold are quarantined.

(2) Consignees notified in accordance with paragraph (a)(1)(ii) of this section

shall quarantine Whole Blood, blood components, Source Plasma and Source Leukocytes held at that establishment except as provided in paragraph (c) of this section.

(b) *Further testing and notification of consignees of results.* Blood establishments that have collected Whole Blood, blood components, Source Plasma or Source Leukocytes from a donor as described in paragraph (a) of this section shall perform a licensed, more specific test for HIV on the donor's blood, and in the case of distributed products, further shall notify the consignee(s) of the results of this test, within 30 calendar days after the donor's repeatedly reactive test. Pending the availability of a licensed, more specific test for HIV-2, a second, different screening test for antibody to HIV-2 shall be used along with a licensed, more specific test for HIV-1.

(c) *Exemption from quarantine.* Products intended for transfusion need not be held in quarantine if a determination has been made that the Whole Blood, blood components, Source Plasma or Source Leukocytes was collected more than 12 months prior to the donor's most recent negative antibody screening test when tested in accordance with § 610.45. Pooled Source Plasma and Source Leukocytes are exempt from quarantine.

(d) *Release from quarantine.* Whole Blood, blood components, Source Plasma and Source Leukocytes intended for transfusion or further manufacture which have been quarantined under paragraph (a) of this section may be released if the donor is subsequently tested for antibody to HIV as provided in paragraph (b) of this section and the test result is negative, absent other informative test results.

(e) Actions under this section do not constitute a product recall as defined in § 7.3(g) of this chapter.

[61 FR 47423, Sept. 9, 1996]

§ 610.47 "Lookback" notification requirements for transfusion services.

(a) Transfusion services that are not subject to the Health Care Financing Administration's regulations on conditions of Medicare participation for hospitals (42 CFR part 482) are required to take appropriate action in accordance

with paragraphs (b) and (c) of this section when a recipient has received Whole Blood or blood components from a donor determined to be unsuitable when tested for human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) infection in accordance with § 610.45 and the results of the additional tests as provided for in § 610.46(b) are positive.

(b) *Notification of recipients of prior transfusion.* If the transfusion service has administered Whole Blood or blood components as described in paragraph (a) of this section, the transfusion service shall notify the recipient's attending physician (physician of record) and ask him or her to inform the recipient of the need for HIV testing and counseling. If the physician is unavailable or declines to notify the recipient, the transfusion service shall notify the recipient and inform the recipient of the need for HIV testing and counseling. The notification process shall include a minimum of three attempts to notify the recipient and be completed within a maximum 8 weeks of receipt of the result of the licensed, more specific test for HIV. The transfusion service is responsible for notification, including basic explanations to the recipient and referral for counseling, and shall document the notification or attempts to notify the attending physician or the recipient, pursuant to § 606.160 of this chapter.

(c) *Notification to legal representative or relative.* If the transfusion recipient has been adjudged incompetent by a State court, the transfusion service or physician must notify a legal representative designated in accordance with State law. If the transfusion recipient is competent, but State law permits a legal representative or relative to receive the information on the recipient's behalf, the transfusion service or physician must notify the recipient or his or her legal representative or relative. If the transfusion recipient is deceased, the transfusion service or physician must continue the notification process and inform the deceased recipient's legal representative or relative. Reasons for notifying the recipient's relative or legal representative on his or her behalf shall be documented pursuant to § 606.160 of this chapter.

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Subpart F—Dating Period Limitations

§ 610.50 Date of manufacture.

The date of manufacture shall be determined as follows:

(a) For products for which an official standard of potency is prescribed in either § 610.20 or § 610.21, or which are subject to official potency tests, the date of initiation by the manufacturer of the last valid potency test.

(b) For products that are not subject to official potency tests, (1) the date of removal from animals, (2) the date of extraction, (3) the date of solution, (4) the date of cessation of growth, or (5) the date of final sterile filtration of a bulk solution, whichever is applicable.

[38 FR 32056, Nov. 20, 1973, as amended at 42 FR 27582, May 31, 1977]

§ 610.53 Dating periods for licensed biological products.

(a) *General.* The minimum dating periods in paragraph (c) of this section are based on data relating to usage, clinical experience, or laboratory tests that establish the reasonable period beyond which the product cannot be expected to yield its specific results and retain its safety, purity, and potency, provided the product is maintained at

the recommended temperatures. The standards prescribed by the regulations in this subchapter are designed to ensure the continued safety, purity, and potency of the products and are based on the dating periods set forth in paragraph (c) of this section. Package labels for each product shall recommend storage at the stated temperatures.

(b) *When the dating period begins.* The dating period for a product shall begin on the date of manufacture, as prescribed in § 610.50. The dating period for a combination of two or more products shall be no longer than the dating period of the component with the shortest dating period.

(c) *Table of dating periods.* In using the table in this paragraph, a product in column A may be stored by the manufacturer at the prescribed temperature and length of time in either column B or C, plus the length of time in column D. The dating period in column D shall be applied from the day the product leaves the manufacturer's storage, provided the product has not exceeded its maximum storage period, as prescribed in column B or C. If a product is held in the manufacturer's storage beyond the period prescribed, the dating period for the product being distributed shall be reduced by a corresponding period.

A	B	C	D
Product	Manufacturer's storage period 1 to 5 °C (unless otherwise stated)	Manufacturer's storage period 0 °C or colder (unless otherwise stated)	Dating period after leaving manufacturer's storage when stored at 2 to 8 °C (unless otherwise stated)
Adenovirus Vaccine Live Oral	6 months	Not applicable	6 months.
Albumin (Human)	3 years .....	.....do	(a) 5 years.
	.....do .....	.....do	(b) 3 years, provided labeling recommends storage at room temperature, no warmer than 37 °C.
	Not applicable .....	.....do	(c) 10 years, if in a hermetically sealed metal container and provided labeling recommends storage between 2 and 8 °C.
Allergenic Extracts labeled "No U.S. Standard of Potency":			
1. With 50 percent or more glycerin ...	3 years .....	.....do	3 years.
2. With less than 50 percent glycerin	18 months .....	.....do	18 months.
3. Products for which cold storage conditions are inappropriate.	Not applicable .....	.....do	18 months (from date of manufacture), provided labeling recommends storage at 30 °C or colder.
4. Powders and tablets .....	.....do .....	.....do	5 years (from date of manufacture), provided labeling recommends storage at 30 °C or colder.
5. Freeze-dried products:			
a. Unreconstituted .....	.....do .....	.....do	4 years (from date of manufacture).
b. Reconstituteddodo	18 months (cannot exceed 4-year unreconstituted dating period plus an additional 12 months).

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A Product	B Manufacturer's storage period 1 to 5 °C (unless otherwise stated)	C Manufacturer's storage period 0 °C or colder (unless otherwise stated)	D Dating period after leaving manufacturer's storage when stored at 2 to 8 °C (unless otherwise stated)
Allergenic Extracts, Alum Precipitated labeled "No U.S. Standard of Potency".	18 months	.....do	18 months.
Anthrax Vaccine Adsorbed	2 years	.....do	1 year.
Antibody to Hepatitis B Surface Antigen:			
1. Antibody to Hepatitis B Surface Antigen.	6 months	.....do	6 months.
2. Lyophilized coated red blood cells	.....do	.....do	Do.
3. Enzyme conjugated products	.....do	.....do	Do.
Iodinated (¹²⁵ I) products	Not applicable	.....do	45 days (from date of manufacture).
Anthemophilic Factor (Human)	.....do	.....do	1 year (from date of manufacture).
Anti-Human Globulin Liquid	.....do	.....do	2 years.
Anti-Inhibitor Coagulant Complex	.....do	.....do	Do.
Antirabies Serum	1 year	.....do	Do.
Antivenin (<i>Crotalidae</i>) Polyvalent	.....do	.....do	5 years with an initial 10 percent excess of potency, provided labeling recommends storage at 37 °C or colder.
Antivenin (<i>Latrodectus Mactans</i>)	.....do	.....do	5 years with an initial 10 percent excess of potency.
Antivenin (<i>Micurus fulvius</i>)	.....do	.....do	Do.
Asparaginase	Not applicable	.....do	18 months from the date of the last valid potency test.
BCG Vaccine	1 year	Not applicable	6 months.
Blood Grouping Reagents			
1. Liquid	Not applicable	Not applicable	2 years.
2. Dried	1 year	2 years	5 years.
Blood Group Substance AB	.....do	.....do	2 years.
Blood Group Substance A	.....do	.....do	Do.
Blood Group Substance B	.....do	.....do	Do.
Botulism Antitoxin	.....do	Not applicable	5 years with an initial 20 percent excess of potency.
Cholera Vaccine	.....do	.....do	18 months.
Coccidioidin	.....do	.....do	3 years.
Collagenase	Not applicable	.....do	4 years (from date of manufacture), provided labeling recommends storage at 37 °C or colder.
Cryoprecipitated AFH	.....do	.....do	12 months from the date of collection of source blood, provided labeling recommends storage at -18 °C or colder.
Diphtheria Antitoxin:			
1. Liquid	1 year	.....do	5 years with an initial 20 percent excess of potency.
2. Dried	.....do	2 years	5 years with an initial 10 percent excess of potency.
Diphtheria and Tetanus Toxoids and Pertussis Vaccine Adsorbed.	.....do	Not applicable	18 months.
Diphtheria and Tetanus Toxoids, Adsorbed.	.....do	.....do	2 years.
Diphtheria Toxin for Schick Test	.....do	.....do	1 year.
Diphtheria Toxoid	.....do	.....do	2 years.
Diphtheria Toxoid Adsorbed	.....do	2 years	Do.
Diphtheria Toxoid-Schick Test Control	Not applicable	Not applicable	1 year.
Factor IX Complex	.....do	.....do	1 year (from date of manufacture).
Fibrinolysin (Human)	1 year	2 years	2 years.
Fibrinolysin and Desoxyribonuclease Combined (Bovine).	.....do	.....do	3 years, provided labeling recommends storage at 30 °C or colder.
Fibrinolysin and Desoxyribonuclease Combined (Bovine) with Chloramphenicol.	.....do	.....do	Do.
Hepatitis B Surface Antigen:			
1. Unlyophilized coated red blood cells.	Not applicable	.....do	14 days (from date of manufacture).
2. Iodinated (¹²⁵ I) product	.....do	.....do	45 days (from date of manufacture).
3. Enzyme conjugated product	6 months	.....do	6 months.
Histoplasmin	1 year	Not applicable	2 years.
Immunoglobulins:			
1. Hepatitis B Immune Globulin (Human).	Not applicabledo	1 year.
2. Immune Globulin (Human)	3 yearsdo	3 years.

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Product	Manufacturer's storage period 1 to 5 °C (unless otherwise stated)	Manufacturer's storage period 0 °C or colder (unless otherwise stated)	Dating period after leaving manufacturer's storage when stored at 2 to 8 °C (unless otherwise stated)
3. Immune Globulin Intravenous (Human).	Not applicable .....	.....do	1 year.
4. Lymphocyte Immune Globulin, Anti-Thymocyte Globulin (Equine).	.....do	Not applicable	2 years.
5. Pertussis Immune Globulin (Human).	3 years .....	.....do	3 years from date the dried or frozen bulk product is placed in final solution.
6. Rabies Immune Globulin (Human)	1 year .....	.....do	1 year.
7. Rh _o (D) Immune Globulin (Human)	6 months .....	.....do	6 months.
8. Tetanus Immune Globulin (Human)	1 year .....	.....do	3 years with an initial 10 percent excess of potency.
9. Vaccinia Immune Globulin (Human).	3 years .....	.....do	3 years.
10. Varicella-Zoster Immune Globulin (Human).	Not applicable .....	.....do	1 year.
Hepatitis B Vaccine	2 years at 2 to 8 °C.	Not applicable	3 years.
Influenza Virus Vaccine	1 year .....	.....do	18 months.
Limulus Amebocyte Lysate	Not applicable	Not applicable	18 months (from date of manufacture).
Measles, Mumps, and Rubella Virus Vaccine Live.	.....do	1 year (–20 °C or colder).	1 year.
Measles and Mumps Virus Vaccine Live ..	.....do .....	.....do	1 year.
Measles and Rubella Virus Vaccine Live ..	.....do .....	.....do	Do.
Measles Live and Smallpox Vaccine	Not applicable .....	.....do	1 year (from date of manufacture).
Measles Virus Vaccine Live .....	.....do .....	.....do	1 year.
Meningococcal Polysaccharide Vaccine Group A:			
1. Final bulk powder .....	.....do	2 years (–20 °C or colder).	Not applicable.
2. Final container	Not applicable	3 years (–20 °C or colder).	2 years.
Meningococcal Polysaccharide Vaccine Group C:			
1. Final bulk powder .....	.....do	2 years (–20 °C or colder).	Not applicable.
2. Final container .....	.....do	3 years (–20 °C or colder).	2 years.
Meningococcal Polysaccharide Vaccine Groups A and C combined:			
1. Final bulk powder .....	.....do	2 years (–20 °C or colder).	Not applicable.
2. Final container .....	.....do	3 years (–20 °C or colder).	2 years.
Meningococcal Polysaccharide Vaccine Groups A, C, Y, and W135 combined:			
1. Final bulk powder .....	.....do	2 years (–20 °C or colder).	Not applicable.
2. Final container .....	.....do	3 years (–20 °C or colder).	2 years.
Mumps Skin Test Antigen	6 months	Not applicable	18 months.
Mumps Virus Vaccine Live	Not applicable	1 year (–20 °C or colder).	1 year.
Normal Horse Serum	1 year	2 years	5 years.
Pertussis Vaccine .....	.....do	Not applicable	18 months.
Pertussis Vaccine Adsorbed .....	.....do .....	.....do	Do.
Plague Vaccine .....	.....do .....	.....do	Do.
Plasma products:			
1. Fresh Frozen Plasma	Not applicable .....	.....do	1 year from date of collection of source blood (–18 °C or colder).
2. Liquid Plasma .....	.....do .....	.....do	(a) 26 days from date of collection of source blood (between 1 and 6 °C). (b) 40 days from date of collection of source blood only when CPDA–1 solution is used as the anticoagulant (between 1 and 6 °C).
3. Plasmadodo	5 years from date of collection of source blood (–18 °C or colder).

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Product	Manufacturer's storage period 1 to 5 °C (unless otherwise stated)	Manufacturer's storage period 0 °C or colder (unless otherwise stated)	Dating period after leaving manufacturer's storage when stored at 2 to 8 °C (unless otherwise stated)
4. Platelet Rich Plasma .....	.....do .....	.....do	72 hours from time of collection of source blood, provided labeling recommends storage (20 to 24 °C or between 1 and 6 °C). 5 days if certain approved containers are used (20 to 24 °C).
5. Source Leukocytes .....	.....do .....	.....do	In lieu of expiration date, the collection date shall appear on the label.
6. Source Plasma .....	.....do .....	.....do	10 years (at the recommended storage temperature stated on the label).
7. Therapeutic Exchange Plasma .....	.....do .....	.....do	10 years.
Plasma Protein Fraction (Human)	1 year .....	.....do	(a) 5 years. (b) 3 years provided labeling recommends storage at room temperature, no warmer than 30 °C).
Platelets	Not applicable .....	.....do	72 hours from time of collection of source blood, provided labeling recommends storage at 20 to 24 °C or between 1 and 6 °C. 5 days if certain approved containers are used (20 to 24 °C).
Pneumococcal Vaccine Polyvalent:			
1. Final bulk powder .....	.....do	24 months after potency assay (–20 °C or colder).	Not applicable.
2. Final container .....	.....do	Not applicable	2 years (from date of manufacture).
Poliovirus Vaccine Inactivated	1 year .....	.....do	1 year.
Poliovirus Vaccine Live Oral Trivalent:			
1. Frozen	Not applicable	1 year (–10 °C or colder).	1 year, provided labeling recommends storage at a temperature which will maintain ice continuously in a solid state.
2. Liquid .....	.....do	Not applicable	30 days, provided labeling recommends storage between 2 and 8 °C and container has been unopened.
Poliovirus Vaccine Live Oral Type I:			
1. Frozen .....	.....do	1 year (–10 °C or colder).	1 year, provided labeling recommends storage at a temperature which will maintain ice continuously in a solid state.
2. Liquid .....	.....do	Not applicable	30 days, provided labeling recommends storage between 2 and 8 °C and container has been unopened.
Poliovirus Vaccine Live Oral Type II:			
1. Frozen .....	.....do	1 year (–10 °C or colder).	1 year, provided labeling recommends storage at a temperature which will maintain ice continuously in a solid state.
2. Liquid .....	.....do	Not applicable	30 days, provided labeling recommends storage between 2 and 8 °C and container has been unopened.
Poliovirus Vaccine Live Oral Type III:			
1. Frozen .....	.....do	1 year (–10 °C or colder).	1 year, provided labeling recommends storage at a temperature which will maintain ice continuously in a solid state.
2. Liquid .....	.....do	Not applicable	30 days, provided labeling recommends storage between 2 and 8 °C and container has been unopened.
Polyvalent bacterial antigens with "No U.S. Standard of Potency" liquid.	1 year .....	.....do	18 months.
Polyvalent bacterial vaccines with "No U.S. Standard of Potency" liquid.	.....do .....	.....do	Do.
Rabies Vaccine:			
1. Dried .....	.....do	2 years	Do.
2. Liquid	3 months	Not applicable	6 months.
Reagent red blood cells	Not applicable	Not applicable	Thirty-five days from earliest date of collection if kept in liquid form (indefinite storage of reagent red blood cell source material at –65 °C or colder).

A	B	C	D
Product	Manufacturer's storage period 1 to 5 °C (unless otherwise stated)	Manufacturer's storage period 0 °C or colder (unless otherwise stated)	Dating period after leaving manufacturer's storage when stored at 2 to 8 °C (unless otherwise stated)
ACD Red Blood Cells .....	.....do .....	.....do	(a) 21 days from date of collection of source blood, provided labeling recommends storage between 1 and 6 °C and the hermetic seal is not broken during processing. (b) 24 hours after plasma removal, provided labeling recommends storage between 1 and 6 °C and the hermetic seal is broken during processing.
CPD Red Blood Cells .....	.....do .....	.....do	(a) 21 days from date of collection of source blood, provided labeling recommends storage between 1 and 6 °C and the hermetic seal is not broken during processing. (b) 24 hours after plasma removal, provided labeling recommends storage between 1 and 6 °C and the hermetic seal is broken during processing.
CPDA–1 Red Blood Cells .....	.....do .....	.....do	(a) 35 days from date of collection of source blood, provided labeling recommends storage between 1 and 6 °C and the hermetic seal is not broken during processing. (b) 24 hours after plasma removal, provided labeling recommends storage between 1 and 6 °C and the hermetic seal is broken during processing.
Red Blood Cells Deglycerolized .....	.....do .....	.....do	24 hours after removal from storage at –65 °C or colder, provided labeling recommends storage between 1 and 6 °C.
Red Blood Cells Frozen .....	.....do .....	.....do	3 years from date of collection of source blood, provided labeling recommends storage at –65 °C or colder.
Rubella and Mumps Virus Vaccine Live ...	.....do	1 year (–20 °C or colder).	1 year.
Rubella Virus Vaccine Live .....	.....do .....	.....do	Do.
Skin Test Antigens for Cellular Hypersensitivity.	6 months	Not applicable	Do.
Smallpox Vaccine:			
1. Liquid	Not applicable	9 months (–10 °C or colder, if product is maintained as glycerinated or equivalent vaccine in bulk or final containers).	3 months, provided labeling recommends storage at 0 °C or colder.
2. Dried	6 months	Not applicable	18 months.
Streptokinase	Not applicable .....	.....do	Do.
Tetanus and Diphtheria Toxoids Adsorbed for Adult Use.	1 year .....	.....do	2 years.
Tetanus Antitoxin:			
1. Liquid .....	.....do .....	.....do	5 years with an initial 20 percent excess or potency.
2. Dried .....	.....do	2 years	5 years with an initial 10 percent excess or potency.
Tetanus Toxoid .....	.....do	Not applicable	2 years.
Tetanus Toxoid Adsorbed .....	.....do .....	.....do	Do.
Thrombin .....	.....do	2 year	3 years.
Thrombin Impregnated Pad	Not applicable	Not applicable	1 year, or 6 months at 20 to 24 °C.
Tuberculin:			
1. Purified Protein Derivative, diluted	6 months .....	.....do	1 year.
2. Old or Purified Protein Derivative dried on multiple puncture device.	1 year (not to exceed 30 °C; do not refrigerate).	.....do	2 years, provided labeling recommends storage at a temperature not to exceed 30 °C. Do not refrigerate.
3. Old on multiple puncture devicedodo	Do.
Typhoid Vaccine	1 yeardo	18 months.

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Product	Manufacturer's storage period 1 to 5 °C (unless otherwise stated)	Manufacturer's storage period 0 °C or colder (unless otherwise stated)	Dating period after leaving manufacturer's storage when stored at 2 to 8 °C (unless otherwise stated)
ACD Whole Blood	Not applicable .....	.....do	21 days from date of collection, provided labeling recommends storage between 1 and 6 °C.
CPD Whole Blood .....	.....do .....	.....do	Do.
CPDA-1 Whole Blood .....	.....do .....	.....do	35 days from date of collection, provided labeling recommends storage between 1 and 6 °C.
Heparin Whole Blood .....	.....do .....	.....do	48 hours from date of collection, provided labeling recommends storage between 1 and 6 °C.
Yellow Fever Vaccine .....	.....do	1 year (–20 °C or colder).	1 year, provided labeling recommends storage at 5 °C or colder.

(d) *Exemptions.* Exemptions or modifications shall be made only upon written approval, in the form of a supplement of the product license, issued by the Director, Center for Biologics Evaluation and Research (HFB-1).

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Subpart G—Labeling Standards

§610.60 Container label.

(a) *Full label.* The following items shall appear on the label affixed to each container of a product capable of bearing a full label:

- (1) The proper name of the product;
- (2) The name, address, and license number of manufacturer;
- (3) The lot number or other lot identification;
- (4) The expiration date;
- (5) The recommended individual dose, for multiple dose containers.
- (6) The statement: "Caution: Federal law prohibits dispensing without prescription," for prescription biologicals.

(b) *Package label information.* If the container is not enclosed in a package, all the items required for a package label shall appear on the container label.

(c) *Partial label.* If the container is capable of bearing only a partial label, the container shall show as a minimum the name (expressed either as the proper or common name), the lot number or other lot identification and the name

of the manufacturer; in addition, for multiple dose containers, the recommended individual dose. Containers bearing partial labels shall be placed in a package which bears all the items required for a package label.

(d) *No container label.* If the container is incapable of bearing any label, the items required for a container label may be omitted, provided the container is placed in a package which bears all the items required for a package label.

(e) *Visual inspection.* When the label has been affixed to the container a sufficient area of the container shall remain uncovered for its full length or circumference to permit inspection of the contents.

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§610.61 Package label.

The following items shall appear on the label affixed to each package containing a product:

- (a) The proper name of the product;
- (b) The name, address, and license number of manufacturer;
- (c) The lot number or other lot identification;
- (d) The expiration date;
- (e) The preservative used and its concentration, or if no preservative is used and the absence of a preservative is a safety factor, the words "no preservative";
- (f) The number of containers, if more than one;
- (g) The amount of product in the container expressed as (1) the number of doses, (2) volume, (3) units of potency,

(4) weight, (5) equivalent volume (for dried product to be reconstituted), or (6) such combination of the foregoing as needed for an accurate description of the contents, whichever is applicable;

(h) The recommended storage temperature;

(i) The words "Shake Well", "Do not Freeze" or the equivalent, as well as other instructions, when indicated by the character of the product;

(j) The recommended individual dose if the enclosed container(s) is a multiple-dose container;

(k) The route of administration recommended, or reference to such directions in an enclosed circular;

(l) Known sensitizing substances, or reference to an enclosed circular containing appropriate information;

(m) The type and calculated amount of antibiotics added during manufacture;

(n) The inactive ingredients when a safety factor, or reference to an enclosed circular containing appropriate information;

(o) The adjuvant, if present;

(p) The source of the product when a factor in safe administration;

(q) The identity of each microorganism used in manufacture, and, where applicable, the production medium and the method of inactivation, or reference to an enclosed circular containing appropriate information;

(r) Minimum potency of product expressed in terms of official standard of potency or, if potency is a factor and no U.S. standard of potency has been prescribed, the words "No U.S. standard of potency."

(s) The statement: "Caution: Federal law prohibits dispensing without prescription," for prescription biologicals.

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§ 610.62 Proper name; package label; legible type.

(a) *Position.* The proper name of the product on the package label shall be placed above any trademark or trade name identifying the product and symmetrically arranged with respect to other printing on the label.

(b) *Prominence.* The point size and typeface of the proper name shall be at

least as prominent as the point size and typeface used in designating the trademark and trade name. The contrast in color value between the proper name and the background shall be at least as great as the color value between the trademark and trade name and the background. Typography, layout, contrast, and other printing features shall not be used in a manner that will affect adversely the prominence of the proper name.

(c) *Legible type.* All items required to be on the container label and package label shall be in legible type. "Legible type" is type of a size and character which can be read with ease when held in a good light and with normal vision.

§ 610.63 Divided manufacturing responsibility to be shown.

If two or more establishments participate in the manufacture of a product, the name, address, and license number of each must appear on the package label, and on the label of the container if capable of bearing a full label.

§ 610.64 Name and address of distributor.

The name and address of the distributor of a product may appear on the label provided that the name, address, and license number of the manufacturer also appears on the label and the name of the distributor is qualified by one of the following phrases: "Manufactured for _____", "Distributed by _____", "Manufactured by _____ for _____", "Manufactured for _____ by _____", "Distributor: _____", or "Marketed by _____". The qualifying phrases may be abbreviated.

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§ 610.65 Products for export.

Labels on packages or containers of products for export may be adapted to meet specific requirements of the regulations of the country to which the product is to be exported provided that in all such cases the minimum label requirements prescribed in § 610.60 are observed.