




## Heavy Metal Testing Tube Type

Acceptable at SQL and QNI for metal free testing (CU, ZN, HMBLD, etc.)

The below picture shows acceptable and unacceptable tubes

Image	Acceptable	Unacceptable
		<p>Plain aliquot tubes without any distinction of “metal free” are not acceptable for metal free testing and will be cancelled if used.</p>
	<p>Metal free royal blue EDTA and Plasma aliquot tubes are acceptable for metal free testing. Look in JDOS for test requirements.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> specimens collected in a royal blue can be spun and aliquoted into a second royal blue tube. This method is not preferred unless in emergent situations.</p>	
	<p>Metal free royal blue serum separator, and serum aliquot tubes are acceptable for metal free testing. Look in JDOS for test requirements.</p> <p><b>Note:</b> specimens collected in a royal blue can be spun and aliquoted into a second royal blue tube. This method is not preferred unless in emergent situations.</p>	

Please ensure your site has adequate supply for metal free collection and transport tubes to SQL or QNI.