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## **Donate Your New, Unopened Insulin to Insulin for Life USA**

<https://iflusa.org/donate-supplies/>

### **Accepted Donation Items**

- Pens
- Lancets
- Vials
- Cartridges
- A1C Test Kits
- KetoStix
- Glucagon
- Glucose Meters
- Glucose Strips
- Lancing Devices
- Syringes - 0.3, 0.5, and 1 mL sizes only

**Note: Insulin for Life USA does not accept donations of pump supplies and/or equipment.**

### **Donation Requirements**

- Donated insulin items must be new, unopened, and pre-filled.
- Donated insulin items must still have 3 months left prior to the expiration date listed on the packaging.
- Lancets must still have 6 months left prior to the expiration date listed on the packaging.
- Syringes must not be expired or opened.
- Glucose meters must be in excellent working condition and have not been discontinued by the manufacturer.
- Lancing devices must be in excellent working condition and are less than one year old.
- Any brand or type will be accepted.

### **Donation Packaging Guide**

**Keep insulin refrigerated until shipping the package.** When shipping, use of a frozen reusable gel refrigerant is necessary. The insulin and frozen pack should be placed inside either a Styrofoam container or thermal insulated bag (sample images below).

If you do not have access to either a Styrofoam cooler or insulated bag, there is an alternative. Place the insulin in a zip closure bag, then wrap the bagged insulin and gel pack together inside a sheet of bubble wrap to insulate the items from heat. Secure the bubble wrap tightly around the items and place them inside your shipping box.

When the insulin is being sent, the shipping time should be no more than two days. Avoid sending donations containing insulin over the weekend, which will slow the delivery time.

**Remember to place your name and address on a paper inside of the package.** Placing your return information inside of the package helps to assure that a receipt acknowledging your tax-deductible donation will successfully be mailed to the proper address.

**Donations can be sent to:**  
Insulin for Life USA, Inc.  
2555 SW 76th Street, #130  
Gainesville, FL 32608

If you have any questions please feel free to contact Insulin for Life USA at (352) 327-8649 or [staff@iflusa.org](mailto:staff@iflusa.org)