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**Processing/shipping instructions for tests with "SPECIAL" designation should be read closely!**

**Below are some examples of processing and/or shipping instructions that qualified for applying the \*SPECIAL\* Processing Icon.**

* Centrifuge within 1 hour or less
* Freeze or refrigerate within 1 hr or less.
* Nontypical shipping or routing requirements
* Aliquot into a special tube, sterile tube, etc.
* Aliquot packed cells (instead of plasma)
* Centrifuge at a special temperature
* Multi-step processing
* Tests that need more than one specimen type when aliquoting to clearly label each specimen type
* Urine that needs a specific pH
* Timed urine to note volume and duration
* Accompanying donor specimen required
* Additional data entry needed (ex: RBC Folate)
* Collect and clot at 37C
* More than one aliquot needed
* Source needs to be indicated on aliquot container
* Coagulation testing needing fast spin
* Stool with complex processing
* Most Pathology testing