



# Contraceptive Fact Sheets



# Condoms

## Recommended Storage Conditions:

Store away from extreme heat (over 40°C, 104°F), moisture, direct sunlight/fluorescent (tube) light.

Visual Indicators of Potential Quality Problems	Special Considerations
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Physical damage to shipping carton</li><li>• Physical damage to inner box</li><li>• Physical damage to unit package (break in package seal)</li><li>• Presence of foreign matter inside package unit</li><li>• Labeling incorrect, missing, or illegible (especially product or brand, lot and batch numbers, expiration and/or manufacture date, manufacturer's name)</li><li>• Leakage of lubricant</li></ul> <p><i>WARNING:</i> Condoms may deteriorate substantially without exhibiting visible changes.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Do not expose to direct sunlight or fluorescent (tube) light.</li><li>• Do not store for prolonged periods at high temperatures or close to a hot radiator, motor, or other source of heat or ozone; follow manufacturer's recommendations.</li><li>• Products may be marked with either date of manufacture or date of expiration.</li><li>• Expiration date is not a reliable indication of quality as it is based on ideal storage conditions.</li><li>• Expiration date on spermicidally lubricated condoms refers to the spermicide, not the latex condom.</li><li>• Condoms supplied by USAID and UNFPA are not spermicidally lubricated; spermicidally lubricated condoms are available from IPPF, upon request.</li></ul> <p><i>NOTE:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Shelf life varies according to national policy; national policy may supercede manufacturer's shelf life.</li><li>• USAID-procured condoms have a USFDA approved expiration date of 4 years from the date of manufacture.</li></ul>

Donor	Manufacturer/Brand		Shelf Life	Primary/Secondary Packaging Presentation	Units per Shipping Carton	Dimensions & Weight of Carton
<b>USAID</b>  <b>Sourced domestically in the U.S.</b>	Alatech, CSI	52 mm lubricated Plain (no logo) Blue & Gold (for social marketing programs) Panther (for social marketing programs) Panther Gold Raja Protector Plus (for social marketing programs) Hiwot Trust	4 years	Condoms individually sealed in foil laminate; 100 condoms per inner box <b>Minimum order 1 shipping carton</b>	3,000 condoms per carton  Previous carton size: 6,000 condoms per carton for production prior to 01/2002	3,000/carton: 1.86 ft <sup>3</sup> (.053 m <sup>3</sup> ); 23.2 lbs (10.52 kg)  Previous dimensions: 6,000/carton: 3.7 ft <sup>3</sup> (.11 m <sup>3</sup> ); 46 lbs (20.9 kg)
<b>IPPF</b>  <b>Sourced globally by recipient's choice</b>	Various	Male condom	Varies by manufacturer	Condoms individually sealed in foil laminate; 144 condoms per inner box	7,200 condoms per carton	Variable, contact IPPF for specifics
	Various	USAID specifications for USAID condoms provided to IPPF affiliate	Varies by manufacturer	Condoms individually sealed in foil laminate; 100 condoms per inner box	3,000 condoms per carton	1.86 ft <sup>3</sup> (.053 m <sup>3</sup> ); 23.2 lbs (10.52 kg)
	Female Heath Company	Female condom	5 years	Individually wrapped in plastic pouches <b>Minimum order 1 shipping carton</b>	1,000 condoms per carton	11.3 kg, 580 x 390 x 310 mm
<b>UNFPA</b>  <b>Sourced globally</b>	Various	ISO standard WHO specifications	5 years	Condoms individually sealed in foil laminate; 144 condoms per inner box, 50 inner boxes per shipping carton	7,200 condoms per carton	4.7 ft <sup>3</sup> (.13 m <sup>3</sup> ); 52 lbs (23.7 kg)

Note: Information on product packaging supercedes information on this fact sheet.

# Implants

## Recommended Storage Conditions:

Store away from excess heat and moisture, at a temperature below 30°C, 86°F.

Visual Indicators of Potential Quality Problems	Special Considerations
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Physical damage to shipping carton</li><li>• Physical damage to inner box</li><li>• Physical damage to unit package (break in package seal)</li><li>• Presence of foreign matter inside unit package</li><li>• Labeling incorrect, missing, or illegible (especially product or brand, lot and batch numbers, expiration and/or manufacture date, manufacturer's name)</li><li>• Unit package missing accompanying product information sheet, use instructions, or manufacturer's name and address</li><li>• Any missing or excess components</li><li>• Broken or bent implants</li><li>• Discolored implants (color other than white or off-white)</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Expiration date on package refers to sterility of product, assuming packaging not damaged.</li><li>• Shelf life should not be confused with use life; implants inserted at any time during their shelf life have a use life that is 5 years from the date of insertion.</li><li>• With sterilization or high-level disinfection (HLD) between each procedure, trocars can be used for multiple insertions. Trocars must be checked for sharpness after every 10 procedures and sharpened, as necessary. Even with careful sharpening, trocars should never be used for more than 100 insertion procedures.</li><li>• Although trocar sterilization between procedures is optimal, HLD can be used, if necessary. HLD requires several chemical solutions and a boiled water rinse. Implant insertion requires other supplies, such as sterile syringes and needles, local anesthesia, and surgical drapes. Adequate supplies of all required items should be available.</li><li>• Jadelle®: if previously trained on NORPLANT®, JPIEGO recommends a one-day training.</li></ul>

Donor	Manufacturer/Brand		Shelf Life	Primary/Secondary Packaging Presentation	Units per Shipping Carton	Dimensions & Weight of Carton
<b>USAID</b>	Leiras Oy	NORPLANT <sup>®</sup> levonorgestrel implants	5 years	1 set of NORPLANT <sup>®</sup> levonorgestrel implants contains six implants in a sterile pouch; each inner box contains 50 sets of implants, 5 non-sterile trocars, 50 copies of patient instructions, and 5 copies of insertion and removal instructions  <b>Minimum order 50 sets</b>	Accept and ship orders in multiples of 50 NORPLANT <sup>®</sup> sets	Shipping carton dimensions and weight vary according to size of each order  Inner carton of 50 sets: 0.08 ft <sup>3</sup> (.0023 m <sup>3</sup> ) 2.1 lbs (.95 kg)
<b>IPPF</b>	Leiras Oy	NORPLANT <sup>®</sup> levonorgestrel implants	5 years	1 set of NORPLANT <sup>®</sup> levonorgestrel implants contains six implants in a sterile pouch; 10 sets per inner box	2 options: a) 2,000 sets (200 x 10 sets) b) 1,000 sets (100 x 10 sets)	a) 15 kg, 600 x 400 x 480 mm b) 8 kg, 350 x 390 x 470 mm
<b>UNFPA</b>	Leiras Oy	NORPLANT <sup>®</sup> levonorgestrel implants	5 years	1 set of NORPLANT <sup>®</sup> levonorgestrel implants contains six implants in a sterile pouch; inner boxes may contain 1 set or 10 sets of implants	1 carton of: a) 10 inner boxes (100 sets) b) 100 inner boxes (1,000 sets) c) 5 cartons each with 200 inner boxes	a) 0.5 ft <sup>3</sup> (.013 m <sup>3</sup> ); 3.3 lbs (1.5 kg) b) 2.1 ft <sup>3</sup> (.06 m <sup>3</sup> ); 18.8 lbs (8.5 kg) c) 19.6 ft <sup>3</sup> (.58 m <sup>3</sup> ); 171 lbs (77.5 kg)
<b>UNFPA</b>	N.V. Organon	Implanon	5 years	Information not yet available	Information not yet available	Information not yet available
<b>Not yet determined</b>	Leiras Oy*	Jadelle <sup>®</sup> *	3 years (Use life is 5 years from date of insertion)	Two rods, each 43 mm long and 2.5 mm in diameter  Each rod contains 75 mg of the progestin levonorgestrel	Information not yet available	Information not yet available
* Wyeth-Ayerst Pharmaceuticals, which holds the U.S. marketing rights to the Jadelle <sup>®</sup> device, has not introduced it for sale and will conduct further research for the two-rod implant.						

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# Injectable Contraceptives

## Recommended Storage Conditions:

Store at room temperature (20–25°C, 59–86°F), away from direct sunlight. Injectables must always be stored upright.

Visual Indicators of Potential Quality Problems	Special Considerations
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Physical damage to shipping carton</li> <li>• Physical damage to inner box</li> <li>• Physical damage to ampoule/vial (break in package seal)</li> <li>• Presence of foreign matter inside ampoule/vial</li> <li>• Labeling incorrect, missing, or illegible (especially product or brand, lot and batch numbers, expiration and/or manufacture date, manufacturer's name)</li> <li>• Missing product information sheet, use instructions, or manufacturer's name and address</li> <li>• For aqueous suspensions, solid material remaining on bottom of glass vial/ampoule after vigorous shaking indicates product should not be used (separation occurs normally, but shaking vial vigorously should resuspend solution)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All injectables require a sterile syringe and 21–23 gauge needle for administration; adequate supplies should be available.</li> <li>• Storage temperature is critical to product stability; oil-based solutions can become rancid at elevated temperatures; particle size in aqueous suspensions can change with temperature fluctuations, affecting drug efficacy; follow manufacturer's recommendations.</li> <li>• NET-EN: (active ingredient norethindrone enanthate) oil-based solution; 2-month use potency.</li> <li>• DMPA/MPA: (active ingredient medroxyprogesterone acetate) aqueous suspension; 3-month use potency.</li> <li>• Doses per vial vary according to manufacturer, brand, and product specifications.</li> <li>• Duration of effectiveness varies by brand.</li> <li>• Sediment can collect in neck of bottle and it may be difficult for it to return to liquid solution. Store vials upright.</li> <li>• Provision of sharps boxes and proper disposal of used syringes and needles should be included in management of these supplies.</li> </ul>

Donor	Manufacturer/Brand		Shelf Life	Primary/Secondary Packaging Presentation	Units per Shipping Carton	Dimensions & Weight of Carton
<b>USAID</b>	Pharmacia (formerly Upjohn & Pharmacia)	Depo-Provera <sup>®</sup> (DMPA) 150 mg; single dose	4 years	Single dose 1 ml vial; 4 trays of 25 vials. 100 2 ml disposable syringes with 1½ inch 21–23 gauge needles are packaged separately within inner shipping carton; 4 inner boxes per shipping carton; as of Fall 2002 will be replaced with auto-disable syringes with 1 inch needles, bundled with sharps containers <b>Minimum order 1 shipping carton</b>	400 vials per carton	1.4 ft <sup>3</sup> (.04 m <sup>3</sup> ); 14.5 lbs (6.6 kg)
<b>IPPF</b>	Organon	Megestron (MPA)	5 years	Vial; 100 vials per box	1,400 units per carton (14 inner boxes of 100)	13.0 kg, .04 m <sup>3</sup>
	Schering	Noristerat (NET-EN)	5 years	1 ml vial; 100 single-dose ampoules per inner box <b>Minimum order 1 box</b>	3,600 ampoules per carton	15.4 kg, .0528 m <sup>3</sup>
	Pharmacia (formerly Upjohn & Pharmacia)	Depo-Provera <sup>®</sup> (DMPA) 150 mg; single dose	5 years	1 ml vial; 25 vials per tray; 100 1 ml vials per inner box; 1 box of 100 disposable 2 ml syringes with 1½ inch 21–23 gauge needle supplied with every 100 doses <b>Minimum order 4 cartons</b>	1,000 units per carton (10 inner boxes of 100)	7.1 kg, 190 x 460 x 180 mm
<b>UNFPA</b>	Organon	Megestron (MPA)	5 years	2 ml vial; 100 vials per inner box	14 inner boxes per carton (1,400 units per carton)	0.7 ft <sup>3</sup> (.02 m <sup>3</sup> ); 23.6 lbs (10.7 kg)
	Schering	Noristerat (NET-EN)	5 years	1 ml ampoule; 100 ampoules per inner box	36 inner boxes per carton (3,600 ampoules per carton)	1.8 ft <sup>3</sup> (.05 m <sup>3</sup> ); 33.9 lbs (15.4 kg)
	Pharmacia (formerly Upjohn & Pharmacia)	Depo-Provera <sup>®</sup> (DPMA)	5 years	150 mg/ml vial; 100 vials per inner box	40 inner boxes per carton (4,000 vials per carton)	4.9 ft <sup>3</sup> (.14 m <sup>3</sup> ); 19.4 lbs (8.8 kg)

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# IUDs

## Recommended Storage Conditions:

Store at room temperature (15–30°C, 59–86°F); protect from excessive moisture and direct sunlight.

Visual Indicators of Potential Quality Problems	Special Considerations
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Physical damage to shipping carton</li><li>• Physical damage to inner box</li><li>• Physical damage to unit package (break in package seal)</li><li>• Presence of foreign matter inside unit package</li><li>• Labeling incorrect, missing, or illegible (especially product or brand, lot and batch numbers, expiration and/or manufacture date, manufacturer's name)</li><li>• Missing product information sheet, use instructions, or manufacturer's name and address</li><li>• Any missing or excess components</li><li>• Misshapen components</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• For individually packaged devices, expiration date on package refers to sterility of product, assuming packaging not damaged.</li><li>• IUDs should be protected from heat and direct sunlight.</li><li>• Any break or perforation of sterile package makes product non-sterile.</li><li>• Copper IUDs sometimes tarnish; copper tarnish does not affect IUD efficacy or safety and does not indicate that package seal has been broken.</li><li>• Shelf life should not be confused with use life; for example, FEI Products Inc. Copper T 380As inserted at any time during their shelf life (7 years from date of manufacture) have a use life that is 10 years from the date of insertion.</li><li>• Because different brands may have different insertion instructions, it is essential that all devices be clearly labeled.</li><li>• IUD insertion requires specialized equipment, disinfectant, and a supply of sterile gloves, cotton, gauze, and sponges.</li><li>• Signs of water damage to packaging indicate that sterility is compromised; such packages should be discarded.</li></ul>

Donor	Manufacturer/Brand		Shelf Life	Primary/Secondary Packaging Presentation	Units per Shipping Carton	Dimensions & Weight of Carton
USAID	FEI Products Inc.	Copper T 380A	7 years (plus up to 10 years insertion life)	IUDs individually packaged with inserter in a polyethylene pouch; sterilized; 25 IUDs per inner box <b>Minimum order 1 shipping carton</b>	200 IUDs per carton	1.4 ft <sup>3</sup> (.04 m <sup>3</sup> ); 16.6 lbs (7.5 kg)
IPPF	Manufacturer varies	Copper T 380A (currently Pregna International 9/00)	7 years (plus up to 10 years insertion life)	IUDs individually packaged with inserter; sterilized; 50 IUDs per inner box <b>Minimum order 1 box (50 units)</b>	500 pieces per carton (10 boxes of 50)	7.47 kg, 435 x 305 x 415 mm
	Organon	Multiload Cu 375 (Standard size)	3 years	IUDs individually packaged with inserter; sterilized	500 pieces per carton (for all models)	6.1 kg, 710 x 310 x 330 mm (for all models)
		Multiload Cu 375 (Short size)	3 years	IUDs individually packaged with inserter; sterilized	500 pieces per carton (for all models)	6.1 kg, 710 x 310 x 330 mm (for all models)
UNFPA	Organon	Multiload Cu 375	3 years	IUDs individually packaged, sterilized; 100 IUDs per box	50 inner boxes of 10 units per carton (500 units per carton)	2.5 ft <sup>3</sup> (.07 m <sup>3</sup> ); 13.5 lbs (6.1 kg)
		Multiload Cu 250				
	Pregna, Contech Device-India SMB, Kups-China	Copper T 380A (Also made by Medico Techno, Ltd.–Singapore Shangai Medical Suture)	7 years	All IUDs individually packaged, sterilized pouch; 50–100 IUDs per box	No updated information available	No updated information available
Copper T 200B						

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# Oral Contraceptives

**Recommended Storage Conditions:**  
Store away from direct sunlight in a cool place.

Visual Indicators of Potential Quality Problems	Special Considerations
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Physical damage to shipping carton</li><li>• Physical damage to inner box</li><li>• Physical damage to unit package (break in package seal)</li><li>• Presence of foreign matter inside unit package</li><li>• Labeling incorrect, missing, or illegible (especially product or brand, lot and batch numbers, expiration and/or manufacture date, manufacturer's name)</li><li>• Pills visibly damaged (broken, cracked, discolored, etc.)</li><li>• Missing pills within blister packs</li><li>• Signs of pill deterioration (brown spots, crushes/powders easily)</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Never mix pills from one package with those from another package.</li><li>• Some pills are packaged in cycles of 21, others in cycles of 28, depending on whether 7 iron pills or placebos follow the 21 hormonal pills.</li></ul>

Donor	Manufacturer/Brand		Shelf Life	Primary/Secondary Packaging Presentation (blister pack = monthly cycle)	Units per Shipping Carton	Dimensions & Weight of Carton
USAID	Wyeth-Ayerst	<p><b>Public Sector:</b> Lo-Femenal, Lo-Gentrol (combined, low-dose) Ovrette (progestin only)</p> <p><b>Social Marketing:</b> Duofem (combined, low-dose)</p>	5 years	<p>Tablets are mounted in 4 rows of 7 each (Lo-Femenal, Lo-Gentrol, and Duofem packaged as 21 hormonal pills preceding 7 iron pills. Ovrette packaged as 4 rows of hormonal pills)</p> <p>Inner boxes contain 100 monthly cycle blister packs packed in a paperboard tray, each tray over-wrapped in foil and heat sealed</p> <p><b>Minimum order 1 shipping carton</b></p>	1,200 monthly cycles per carton	1.4 ft <sup>3</sup> (.04 m <sup>3</sup> ); 18.25 lbs (8.3 kg)
IPPF	Organon	Exulton, packed in boxes of 100 monthly cycles each	5 years	Inner boxes of 100 blister packs	2,400 monthly cycles per carton	15.0 kg, 485 x 389 x 358 mm
		Marvelon, packed in boxes of 100 cycles each	3 years	Inner boxes of 100 blister packs	1,600 monthly cycles per carton	12.2 kg, 485 x 389 x 358 mm
	Janssen Cilag	Micronor, packed in bundles of 20 packs of 3 monthly cycles	5 years	Inner boxes of 3 blister packs, packed in bundles of 20 x3	560 monthly cycles per carton	No information available
		Cilest, packed in bundles of 20 packs of 3 monthly cycles	5 years	Inner boxes of 3 blister packs, packed in bundles of 20 x3	560 monthly cycles per carton	No information available
	Schering AG	Combination 3 (Blue Lady), Microgynon 30, Triquilar ED Fe (Blue Lady), Microgest (Blue Lady)	5 years	Inner packs of 3 blister packs	880 monthly cycles per carton	20.6 kg, .1056 m <sup>3</sup>
		Microlut 35	5 years	Inner boxes of 3 blister packs	720 monthly cycles per carton	18.6 kg, .1056 m <sup>3</sup>

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Donor	Manufacturer/Brand		Shelf Life	Primary/Secondary Packaging Presentation (blister pack = monthly cycle)	Units per Shipping Carton	Dimensions & Weight of Carton
IPPF	Wyeth	Nordette 28 (Blue Lady)	5 years	Inner packs of 3 blister packs	600 monthly cycles per carton	4.8 kg, 420 x 240 x 250 mm
		Ovral 28 (Blue Lady)	5 years	Inner packs of 3 blister packs	600 monthly cycles per carton	4.8 kg, 400 x 240 x 250 mm
		Microval 35	5 years	Inner packs of 100 blister packs	600 monthly cycles per carton	4.8 kg, 420 x 240 x 280 mm
		Nordette 21 (Blue Lady)	5 years	Inner packs of 3 blister packs	600 monthly cycles per carton	3.9 kg, 420 x 240 x 260 mm
		Nordiol 28 (Blue Lady)	5 years	Inner packs of 3 blister packs	600 monthly cycles per carton	4.8 kg, 420 x 240 x 270 mm
		Trinordiol 28 (Blue Lady)	5 years	Single blister strip, no inner carton	200 monthly cycles per carton	3.8 kg, 350 x 245 x 330 mm
		Lo-Femenal (Blue Lady) Ovrette (progestagen only)	5 years	Tablets are mounted in 4 rows of 7 (Lo-Femenal packaged as 21 hormonal pills preceding 7 iron pills, Ovrette packaged as 4 rows of hormonal pills)	1,200 monthly cycles per carton	8.0 kg, 17.5 x 15.5 x 8 mm
		Duofem (Social marketing only)	5 years	21 hormonal pills preceding 7 iron pills. Inner boxes contain 100 monthly cycle blister packs packed in a paperboard tray, each tray over-wrapped in foil and heat sealed  <b>Minimum order 1 shipping carton</b>	1,200 monthly cycles per carton	1.4 ft <sup>3</sup> (.04 m <sup>3</sup> ); 18.25 lbs (8.3 kg)
UNFPA	Gedeon Richter	Ovidon	5 years	No information available	46 inner boxes per carton (4,600 cycles per carton)	3.7 ft <sup>3</sup> (.11 m <sup>3</sup> ); 68.5 lbs (31.1 kg)
		Rigevidon	5 years	No information available	34 inner boxes per carton (3,400 cycles per carton)	3.7 ft <sup>3</sup> (.11 m <sup>3</sup> ); 59.1 lbs (26.8 kg)
		Tri-Regol	No information available	No information available	34 inner boxes per carton (3,400 cycles per carton)	3.7 ft <sup>3</sup> (.11 m <sup>3</sup> ); 44.1 lbs (20 kg)

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Donor	Manufacturer/Brand		Shelf Life	Primary/Secondary Packaging Presentation (blister pack = monthly cycle)	Units per Shipping Carton	Dimensions & Weight of Carton
UNFPA	Organon	Exulton 28	5 years	Breastfeeding Lady brand rectangular packaging, inner boxes of 100 blister packs	24 inner boxes per carton (2,400 cycles)	2.5 ft <sup>3</sup> (.07 m <sup>3</sup> ); 33.1 lbs (15 kg)
		Marvelon 28	3 years	Blue Lady brand rectangular packaging; inner boxes of 100 blister packs	16 inner boxes per carton (1,600 cycles)	2.5 ft <sup>3</sup> (.07 m <sup>3</sup> ); 26.9 lbs (12.2 kg)
	Schering	Microgynon 30 ED Fe, Neogynon 30 ED Fe, Triquilar ED Fe	5 years	Blue Lady brand rectangular packaging; inner packs of 3 blister packs	880 inner boxes per carton (2,640 cycles)	3.7 ft <sup>3</sup> (.11 m <sup>3</sup> ); 45.6 lbs (20.6 kg)
	Wyeth-Ayerst Canada	Microlut 35	5 years	Circle-shaped packaging; inner boxes of 100 blister packs	720 monthly cycles per carton (2,160 cycles)	3.7 ft <sup>3</sup> (.11 m <sup>3</sup> ); 41.1 lbs (18.6 kg)
		Lo-Femenal 28, Lo-Gentrol 28, Duofem 28	5 years	Inner packs of 3 monthly cycles	12 inner boxes per carton (1,200 cycles per carton)	1.2 ft <sup>3</sup> (.036 m <sup>3</sup> ); 17.7 lbs (8 kg)
	Wyeth-Pharma Germany	Ovral 28 (Blue Lady)	5 years	Inner packs of 3 monthly cycles	200 inner boxes per carton (600 cycles per carton)	.8 ft <sup>3</sup> (.024 m <sup>3</sup> ); 10.6 lbs (4.8 kg)
		Microval 35	5 years	No information available	200 inner boxes per carton (600 cycles per carton)	1.1 ft <sup>3</sup> (.03 m <sup>3</sup> ); 10.6 lbs (4.8 kg)
		Nordette 21	5 years	Inner packs of 3 monthly cycles	200 inner boxes per carton (600 cycles per carton)	.9 ft <sup>3</sup> (.026 m <sup>3</sup> ); 8.6 lbs (3.9 kg)
		Nordette 28	5 years	Inner packs of 3 monthly cycles	200 inner boxes per carton (600 cycles per carton)	.8 ft <sup>3</sup> (.025 m <sup>3</sup> ); 10.6 lbs (4.8 kg)
		Trinordiol 28 (Blue Lady)	5 years	No information available	200 inner boxes per carton (400 cycles per carton)	1.1 ft <sup>3</sup> (.03 m <sup>3</sup> ); 8.4 lbs (3.8 kg)

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# Spermicidal/Vaginal Barrier Methods

**Recommended Storage Conditions:**  
Store at room temperature (15–30°C, 59–86°F).

Visual Indicators of Potential Quality Problems	Special Considerations
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Physical damage to shipping carton</li> <li>Physical damage to inner box</li> <li>Physical damage to unit package (break in package seal)</li> <li>Presence of foreign matter inside unit package</li> <li>Labeling incorrect, missing, or illegible (especially product or brand, lot and batch numbers, expiration and/or manufacture date, manufacturer's name)</li> <li>Missing use instructions or manufacturer's name and address</li> </ul> <p><b>Vaginal Foaming Tablets</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Tablets broken</li> <li>Tablets discolored (should be white to off-white)</li> <li>Tablets soft or crumbly (should be hard)</li> <li>Puffy packages</li> </ul> <p><b>Foam</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dented can</li> </ul> <p><b>Diaphragms</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hole(s) in device</li> <li>Package seal broken</li> <li>Discoloration</li> </ul> <p><b>Jellies</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Tube wrinkled or leaking</li> </ul>	<p><b>Vaginal Foaming Tablets</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Some tablets are individually wrapped, others packaged in tubes.</li> </ul> <p><b>Foam</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cans should be stored in upright position.</li> </ul> <p><b>Diaphragms</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Must be used with spermicidal cream or jelly; sufficient supplies of these commodities should be available.</li> <li>Made of latex; do not expose to direct sunlight, extreme temperatures, or ozone.</li> <li>Must be sized for user by health care provider.</li> </ul> <p><b>Jellies</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In most cases, an applicator is required for use; sufficient supplies should be available.</li> </ul> <p><b>Suppositories</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>May melt at elevated temperatures; can be rehardened by refrigeration with no loss in potency.</li> </ul>

Donor	Manufacturer/Method/Brand		Shelf Life	Primary/Secondary Packaging Presentation	Units per Shipping Carton	Dimensions & Weight of Carton
USAID	Jansen Ortho-McNeil	VFTs: Conceptrol (available through 2004)  Flower (no longer available)	5 years	Moisture proof/sealed packages of polyethylene and aluminum-laminated strips; 20 strips of 5 individually wrapped tablets are packaged in inner boxes of 100 <b>Minimum order 1 shipping carton</b>	4,800 tablets per carton	2.4 ft <sup>3</sup> (.07 m <sup>3</sup> ); 21.4 lbs (9.7 kg)
IPPF	Eisai	VFT: Neo-Sampoon	3 years	20 tablets per tube; 20 tubes per inner box; 8 inner boxes per shipping carton	8 inner boxes of 400 tablets per carton (3,200 tablets per carton) (20 tubes of 20)	0.6 ft <sup>3</sup> (.017 m <sup>3</sup> ); 12.8 lbs (5.8 kg)
	Innotech	VFT: Pharmatex	3 years	12 tablets per tube.	300 inner boxes of 12 tablets per carton (3,600 tablets per carton)	0.5 ft <sup>3</sup> (.02 m <sup>3</sup> ); 14.1 lbs (6.4 kg)
	Jansen-Cilag	Delfen Foam	2 years	Tube with applicator; 24 cans per inner box		
	Jansen-Cilag	Diaphragms		Individually packaged in cardboard box; 12 units per inner box		
	Seaton-Scholl Healthcare	Duragel	3 years	Individual tubes 100 g; packed in boxes of 4 tubes		
	Jansen-Cilag	Gynol II	2 years	Tube; 24 tubes per inner box Single; 24 applicators per inner box		
UNFPA	Eisai	VFT: Neo-Sampoon	3 years	20 tablets per tube; 20 tubes per inner box; 8 inner boxes per shipping carton	8 inner boxes of 400 tablets per carton (3,200 tablets per carton) (20 tubes of 20)	0.6 ft <sup>3</sup> (.017 m <sup>3</sup> ); 12.8 lbs (5.8 kg)
	Innotech International	Spermicide: Pharmatex			300 inner boxes of 12 tablets per carton (3,600 tablets per carton)	0.5 ft <sup>3</sup> (.02 m <sup>3</sup> ); 14.1 lbs (6.4 kg)
	Ortho UK/USA	Delfen Foam		Can; 12 cans per inner box	No information available	No information available
	Ortho UK/USA	Diaphragms		Individually packaged in cardboard box	No information available	No information available
	Ortho UK/USA	Jelly: Ortho-Gynol II		Tube; 12 tubes per box	No information available	No information available
	Quality Health Products	Jelly: Koromex			No information available	No information available

Note: Information on product packaging supercedes information on this fact sheet.

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*Contraceptive Technology*. Seventeenth Revised Edition, New York: Irvington Publishers, Inc. 1998.

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*Jadelle Levonorgestrel Rod Implants: A Summary of Scientific Data and Lessons Learned from Programmatic Experience*. New York: Population Council. 2002.

## Contraceptive-Specific Information on the Internet

*Directory of Hormonal Contraceptives*. International Planned Parenthood Federation: Database. 2002. [Http://contraceptive.ippf.org/Default.aspx](http://contraceptive.ippf.org/Default.aspx)

For other IPPF publications about service provision:  
<http://www.ippf.org/pubs/service.htm>

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## General References on Contraceptive Methods/Issues

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*IPPF Family Planning Handbook for Health Professionals: The Sexual and Reproductive Health Approach*

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World Health Organization series of technical guidelines for the provision of contraceptive services. Direct inquiries to:

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