



Vaccine Fridge Hire

The <u>National Vaccine Storage Guidelines - Strive for 5 - 3rd edition</u> requires immunisation service providers to have a refrigerator which has the **capacity** to accommodate the facility's vaccine storage needs (including during influenza season).

Overstocking the refrigerator places all vaccines at risk. It impedes cold air circulation and reduces the likelihood of achieving consistent, stable temperatures throughout the refrigerator.

During influenza season, for practices who do not have the capacity to accommodate the extra flu vaccines, there is the option to rent a fridge.

For pricing and further information, please contact suppliers. Below is not an exhaustive list.

Company	Website	Phone
Euro-Chill	https://eurochill.com.au/product-range/rental/	(03) 8372 0456
Mobi-fridge Hire	https://www.mobifridge.com.au/	(02) 9808 2081

(CESPHN does not endorse any particular supplier or brand of refrigerator)

Data Loggers

Temperature data loggers are small electronic devices that **continuously** measure temperatures at pre-set time intervals and record the results. Data loggers should be set to record temperatures at 5-minute intervals.

In NSW it is mandatory that **all vaccine refrigerators** used to store **government funded vaccines** are continually data logged, and the report is downloaded once per week to check for excursions outside 2°C - 8°C.

Rental fridges are therefore required to have a data logger. Some brands and models of fridge may have built in data loggers. Contact suppliers for further information.

Further information:

- NSW Health Cold Chain Management home page
- National Vaccine Storage Guidelines "Strive for 5"