

Guide to Completing the Autologous Transfusion Label

All autologous blood should be labelled as soon as collection begins

1. You must complete the following information at the start of the autologous procedure:

Patient details - HANDWRITE the details from the patient's identification band (or approved method of patient identification if the identification band is not accessible).

Operator Name - Name of the individual responsible for carrying out the autologous transfusion procedure.

Times and Dates - Record the time and date the collection began (start time) and the time and date of expiry. The expiry time should be in accordance with National guidelines and the organisations transfusion policy.

Type and volume - Tick relevant box/boxes (record the total volume of autologous blood for reinfusion – this can be done later when the final volume is known).

AUTOLOGOUS TRANSFUSION Untested Blood For AUTOLOGOUS use only	
Hospital / NHS No.....	
Last name.....	
First name.....	
DOB.....	
Operator Name (Print).....	
Collection Date..... Time.....	
Expiry Date..... Time.....	
Type of autologous blood:	
Intra-op Cell Salvage	<input type="checkbox"/>
Post-op Cell Salvage (Washed)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Post-op Cell Salvage (Unwashed)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Total Volume.....	mls
AFFIX IN TRANSFUSION RECORD	
<i>(This section should be completed and affixed in patient's transfusion record)</i>	
Autologous Transfusion	
Full Name	
Hospital / NHS No.	
Type:	
Intra-op Cell Salvage	<input type="checkbox"/>
Post-op Cell Salvage (Washed)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Post-op Cell Salvage (Unwashed)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Administered by.....	
Transfusion Started at:	Date.....
	Time.....
Total Volume.....	mls

2. Attach to the bag – Attach the autologous label *immediately* to the autologous blood bag using a secure tie

Carry out pre-transfusion checks according to your Organisation's Transfusion Policy



3. Transfusion Record - Details of the autologous transfusion **MUST** be recorded in the patient's clinical notes / transfusion record. Complete the information required on the peel off section of the autologous label and affix in the appropriate place in the patient's clinical notes / transfusion record.

During the pilot phase (July 2008 – June 2009) this label should be used only for Intra-operative Cell Salvage