







Change Notification UK National Blood Services No. 49 - 2022

Table of Immunizations

These changes apply to the Whole Blood and Components Donor Selection Guidelines.

Please amend the following table on Appendix 2.

Disease	Comments and specific preparations	Status
Anthrax	Rarely given available only through Public Health England.	Non-Live
Cholera	Oral vaccine. Dukoral®	Non-Live
COVID-19 (SARS-CoV-2)	Pfizer/BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine; AstraZeneca COVID-19 vaccine; Moderna COVID-19 vaccine. If more than 7 days from most recent immunization, accept All COVID-19 vaccines licenced in the UK are Non-Live. These include • Pfizer BioNTech (tozinameran/Comirnaty®) • AstraZeneca (Vaxzevira®) • Moderna (Spikevax®) • Janssen Ad26.COV2-S • Novavax (Nuvaxovid®) • COVID-19 Vaccine Valneva If more than 48 hours from most recent immunization, accept	Non-Live
HiB	Haemophilus influenza, Menitorex®	Non-Live

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Disease	Comments and specific preparations	Status
Hepatitis A	May be combined with typhoid or hepatitis B. Avaxim®,	Non-Live
	Epaxal®, Ambirix®, Twinrix®, Hapatyrix®, Viatim®	
	May be combined with typhoid or hepatitis B	
	Hepatitis A only: Vaqta®, Avaxim®, Havrix®	
	Combined with typhoid: Viatim®	
	Combined with hepatitis B: Ambirix®, Twinrix®	
Hepatitis B	May be combined with hepatitis A. If unexposed and more than	Non-Live
	7 days from last immunisation, accept. See: Hepatitis B –	
	Immunisation	
	Engerix®, Fendrix®, HBvaxPRO®, Ambirix®, Twinrix®	
HPV	Usually given to teenage girls, Cervarix®, Gardasil®	Non-Live
	Cervarix®, Gardasil®	
Influenza, intra-	Fluenz® to age 18	Live
nasal	Live vaccine given by intra-nasal spray, age 2-18	
	Fluenz Tetra®	
Influenza, injection	Injection-annual flu jab. Agrippal®, Enzira®, Fluarix®,	Non-Live
	Fluvirin®, Imuvac®, Influvac®, Intanza® Optaflu®, Pandemrix®	
	Annual 'flu jab', given by injection	
	Several preparations, updated annually	
Japanese	Travel. lxiaro®	Non-Live
Encephalitis		
Measles, Mumps,	MMR vaccines. M-M-RvaxPro®, Priorix®	Live
Rubella		









Disease	Comments and specific preparations	Status
Meningitis	Meningococcal group C, Meningococcal group B and the	Non-Live
	Quadrivalent ACWY immunisation may also be given in	
	combination with HiB. Meningitec®, Menjugate Kit®, NeisVac-	
	C®, Bexsero®, Menveo®, Nimenrix®	
	Meningococcal group C: NeisVac-C®, Menjugate Kit®	
	Meningococcal group B: Bexsero®, Trumenba®	
	MenACWY Quadrivalent vaccine: Menveo®, Nimenrix®, MenQuadfi®	
	Combined with <i>H. influenzae</i> type b (Hib): Menitorix®	
Monkeypox	During the 2022 Monkeypox outbreaks, contacts of Monkeypox	Non-Live
	cases may receive Imvanex, a live attenuated non-replicating	
	Smallpox vaccine. For donor selection purposes this should be	
	assessed as a non-live vaccine. See DSG entry for Monkeypox	
Pertussis	Usually pregnant women, Boostrix-IPV®, Repavax®	Non-Live
Pneumococcal	Given to people with specific risks e.g Asplenic. And over 65s	Non-Live
disease	Pneumovax II®	
	Given to people with specific risks: for example, people who	
	have had a splenectomy or people over 65. Pneumovax®23	
Polio, injected	Would usually be given Diphtheria, Tetanus and Polio	Non-Live
	(injection). Boostrix-IPV®, Revaxis®, Repevax®	
Polio, oral	Not in routine use in UK. May be used abroad	Live
Rabies	Travel or post-bite. Rabipur®	Non-Live
	Given to non-exposed individuals if occupation or activity has	
	an exposure risk, or for some travellers to endemic areas:	
	Rabipur®, Verorab®	









Disease	Comments and specific preparations	Status
Shingles	Routine immunisation for older people. Zostavax®	
	There are two vaccines available to prevent shingles:	
	Zostavax® and Shingrix®; see rows below. Ensure the	
	correct guidance is applied depending on the vaccine given. If	
	vaccine name not certain, treat as a Live vaccine	
	Zostavax® for shingles prevention	Live
	Shingrix® for shingles prevention	Non-Live
Smallpox	Rarely given, see: Smallpox Immunization	Live
	Note this live vaccine requires an 8-week deferral If given,	
	see DSG entry for Smallpox Immunization.	
	See also Monkeypox	
Tetanus	Would usually be given as Diphtheria, Tetanus and Polio.	Non-Live
	Boostrix-IPV®, Revaxis®, Repevax®	
Tick-borne	Tico-vac® TicoVac®	Non-Live
encephalitis		
Tuberculosis	BCG vaccine	Live
Typhoid -	Typherix [®] , Typhim Vi [®]	Non-Live
injected	Typhim Vi®	
	Combined with hepatitis A: Viatim®	
Typhoid -	Given in capsule form	Live
Oral	Vivotif®	
Varicella	Mainly Usually given to healthcare workers. Varilrix®,	Live
(chickenpox)	Varivax [®]	
Yellow Fever	Stamaril [®]	Live











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