

AMPUTATION

Orderable - Surgical Pathology Request

Turnaround Time: 3-4 weeks

Specimen:

Limb (arm, leg) or portions thereof

Collection Information:

Wrap fresh specimen in dark, double plastic bags. Label specimen with patient and specimen identification on outer bag and then one of the following:

- "FOR DISPOSAL" on addressograph if for disposal
- "PICK UP" if family is arranging to pick up the specimen
- "EXAMINATION" if specimen is to be grossed by Pathology

Notify Pathology at ext. 36312 or by email Rebekah.Carter@lhsc.on.ca and Darby.Krueger@lhsc.on.ca. Include patient name/PIN, specimen type, specimen for disposal, pick up or examination.

Specimens for pathological examination - attach completed [Surgical Pathology Requisition](#) to specimen and place in white plastic container with order sticker.

Specimens for disposal only - indicate 'For Disposal' on specimen labelling.

See our policy on the [Submission of Specimens to Pathology](#).

See our policy on the [Disposal of Limbs, Tissues, Organs](#)

Reference Ranges:

See report

Critical Information Required:

Clinical history is crucial to an accurate diagnosis.

Storage and Shipment:



Laboratory:
Pathology Lab



Requisition:
PowerChart: E-order
choosing appropriate
specimen.
See [Identification of
Clinical Specimens](#)



Method of Analysis:
Examination and analysis



Test Schedule:
As required

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If specimen is for disposal, send by Porter to body storage area at respective hospital site.

If specimen is for pathological examination, send through the courier system to the Pathology Laboratory.