

# Usage Limits/Transferring Samples: GaSampler

## RECOMMENDED PRODUCT USAGE LIMITS:

***Single-Patient products are not to be cleaned and should be discarded after patient testing is complete.***

Catalog #	Description	Recommended Usage Limits
QT00830-P	750mL - Single-Patient Collection Bag (Unprinted) (Two Ports)	Replace each bag after 12-18 <u>sample</u> collections
QT00834-P	250mL - Single-Patient Collection Bag (Unprinted) (Two Ports)	Replace each bag after 12-18 <u>sample</u> collections
QT00843-P	400mL - Dead-Space Air Discard Bag	Replace each bag after each patient (Single Patient)

We expect the multi-patient collection bags to last for a respectable period of time, say for 10-20 patients, but ***NOT*** indefinitely. The number of uses for the bags is dependent on how the bags are handled.

Continuously filling the bags to their maximum volume causes the development of creases and wrinkles and also stretches the seams along the edges, resulting in both damaging the product and adversely impacting the integrity of the sample. Careful handling of the bags increases the length of use of the product and ensures the validity of the breath study.

The recommended usage limits indicated below are based on QuinTron's in-house testing; usage limits may not be the same for all facilities depending on how the bags are handled. Inter-patient cleaning is still recommended for all products that are sold/used as Multi-Patient.

*\* Multi-Patient Collection Bags require special attention, see "Cleaning/Sterilization Practices" on laminated bags for more information.*

## TRANSFERRING SAMPLES TO A SAMPLE HOLDING BAGS:

1. Prior to collecting samples with collection bags it is advisable to insert a closed stopcock to the small port for easy transfer and/or withdraw from the Collection Bag for analysis.
2. After the breath sample is collected, remove the Tee-mouthpiece Assembly from the large port on the Collection Bag.
3. Insert the bag port cap onto the large port securely.  
*(Your port and/or port cap color/style may vary from the ones pictured)*
4. Insert a stopcock into the small port on the Sample Holding Bag.
5. Insert your Sample Drying Tube into the stopcock on the Sample Holding Bag.
6. Attach the stopcock on the Collection Bag to the other end of the Patient Sample Drying Tube.
7. Open both stopcocks and gently apply pressure to the Collection Bag until an adequate sample volume is transferred into the Sample Holding Bag.
8. Close the stopcock on both the Sample Holding Bag and Collection Bag to ensure no sample expires.
9. Remove the Patient Sample Drying Tube and syringe from the Sample Holding Bag.
10. Repeat the same procedure with a new Sample Holding Bag for each sample you wish to store.
11. You may reuse the Sample Drying Tube inter-patient until it has fully expired.

