Packing Supplies and Configuration for Returning Platelets to Your Blood Center

Packing supplies are available from your blood center. Platelets may be returned when allowed by the service agreement and the following packing configuration is followed:

- Gel Packs (48 oz): Equilibrate to a room temperature (RT) of 20-24C for platelets.
- Plastic Bags
- Absorbent Pads (white/blue, 9x9 inches)
- E-38UB Shipping Container (15x15x17.5 inches)

1. Place plastic bag inside inner box.
2. Place two gel packs inside the plastic bag.
3. Place two absorbent pads on top of the gel packs, absorbent side up.
4. Place unit(s) on top of the absorbent pads.
   - Shipper typically holds 6-8 apheresis platelets.
5. Place two absorbent pads on top of the unit(s), absorbent side down.
6. Place two gel packs on top of the absorbent pad.
7. Close and secure the plastic bag.
8. Insert foam plug.
9. Close, seal and label container.
10. Ship to your blood center to ensure container is received within 24 hours.