

## **Thermometer Guide for Prevention Partnership Providers**

All prevention partnership providers are required to use a calibrated thermometer with certificate of traceability and calibration testing. In addition to this requirement, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recommends the use of a digital thermometer with detachable probe that is kept in a glycol-filled bottle. The glycol encased probe is preferred as it measures a liquid temperature which approximates the vaccine temperature in the refrigerator/freezer. Other recommendations for thermometers include the following specifications:

- Alarm system for out-of-range temperatures
- Current, minimum and maximum temperature records
- Low battery indicator
- A thermometer which can provide continuous data monitoring information with user programmable recording interval
- A thermometer display which can be placed outside the refrigerator/freezer to ease reading
- The calibration report of a thermometer tells the level of accuracy of the thermometer against reference standard. A thermometer with levels of accuracy of +/- 1°F/+/-.5°C is recommended.

## Certificates of calibration should fulfill either of the following four criteria:

- **Criteria 1:** The certificate must identify an ILAC/MRA signatory body accredited laboratory (A2LA, L-A-B, ACLASS, IAS, and PJLA) and has a model number, a serial number, date of calibration, and measurement results indicate unit passed test and documented uncertainty is within suitable limits (recommended uncertainty = +/- 1°F or .5°C). OR
- Criteria 2: The certificate must have a statement that the calibration testing conforms to International Organization for Standardization (ISO) 17025, has a date of calibration, serial number and model number and measurement results indicate unit passed test and documented uncertainty is within suitable limits (recommended uncertainty = +/- 1°F or .5°C). OR
- Criteria 3: Meets specifications and testing requirements for the American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM) Standard E2877 Tolerance Class F (< +/-.5° C or < +/-1° F) and has a model number, a serial number, date of calibration, and measurement results indicate unit passed test and documented uncertainty is within suitable limits (recommended uncertainty = +/- 1°F or .5°C). OR
- Criteria 4: Traceable to the standards maintained by the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) and has a model number, a serial number, date of calibration, and measurement results indicate unit passed test and documented uncertainty is within suitable limits (recommended uncertainty = +/- 1°F or .5°C).

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**Notice:** The following table provides list of thermometers that can be considered as options when providers plan to buy a thermometer. The information in the table, including the price and the specifications, may change over time. Providers may purchase thermometers not manufactured by companies on this list, but that also have certificates of calibration that meet program requirements.

## **Abbreviations:**

MRA - Mutual Recognition Arrangements
A2LA - American Association for Laboratory Accreditation
IAS - International Accreditation Service Inc.
ACLASS - ANSI-ASQ National Accreditation Board
ILAC- International Laboratory Accreditation Cooperation
PJLA - Perry Jonson Laboratory Accreditation Service Inc.

Thermometer	Model	Price	Frequency of calibration	Recalibration Price	Manufacturer or distributor	Software	Certificate of Calibration	Min/Max recording	Alarm	Low Battery Indicator	Accuracy	Remark	Website
VFC-5000 TP data logger	VFC- 5000 LCD TP	\$152	Every year	\$49	Control Solutions, Inc. (Distributor)	Needs software	√	٧	1	V	±1°F (±0.5°C)	Recommended for vaccine transport	https://www.vfcdatalog gers.com/product/vfc50 00-tp-vaccine- monitoring-data-logger- kit
VFC 300 WiFi	VFC 300 WiFi	\$249	Every year	\$49	Control Solutions, Inc. (Distributor)	Needs software	√	√	1	V	±0.4°F (±0.25°C)		http://www.vfcdatalog gers.com/vfc-300-wifi/
VFC 350 WiFi	VFC 350 WiFi	\$389	Every year	\$49	Control Solutions, Inc. (Distributor)	Needs software	√	√	1	1	±0.4°F (±0.25°C)		http://www.vfcdatalog gers.com/vfc-350-wifi/
Fridge Tag®	Fridge Tag2L ®	\$158	Needs to be changed after 2 years (no calibration)		Berlinger	Does not need software	<b>V</b>	٧	٧	√	±1°F (±0.5°C)		http://www.berlingerus a.com/fridgetag2l/
VFC 400	VFC 400	\$147	Every 2 years	\$49	Control Solutions	Needs software	V	V	<b>V</b>	<b>V</b>	±0.3°C		http://www.vfcdatalog gers.com/vfc400
VFC 400 WiFi	VFC400 WiFi	\$249.00	Every 2 years	\$49	Control Solutions	Needs software	V	√	<b>V</b>	√	±0.3°C	Yearly subscription to the Vaccine Monitoring Cloud can be purchased	https://www.vfcdatalo ggers.com/product/vfc 400-wifi-vaccine- monitoring-kit/
Traceable® Memory-Card Refrigerator/ Freezer Thermometer	6430	\$158.50	Every one to two years	Contact INNOCAL for quote	Control Company	Does not need software	V	√	V	1	±0.25°C	Requires a USB flash drive to transfer data	https://traceable.com/ 6430.html
Touchscreen - WiFi/ Ethernet with AC	AC	\$571	Every year	\$99-269	Dickson One (manufacturer)	Software needed	√	V	<b>V</b>	V	±0.9°F from -58 to 68°F		http://www.dicksondat a.com/products/TWE
Touchscreen - POE, WiFi/ Ethernet	POE	\$571	Every year	\$99-269	Dickson One (manufacturer)	Software needed/ WiFi	√	√	1	V	±0.9°F from -58 to 68°F		http://www.dicksondat a.com/products/TWP
Touchscreen - USB	DSB	\$205	Every year	\$99-269	Dickson One (manufacturer)	Software needed	V	√		V	±0.9°F from -58 to 68°F		https://www.dicksond ata.com/products/DS B

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Temperature Data Logger with LCD screen and external Thermistor Glycol Probe	EL- USB- TP- LCD- PROBE -G	\$229.99	Every 2 year	\$50	Lascar Electronics (manufacturer)	Software needed	√	٨	V	√	±0.1°C	Recommended for vaccine transport	https://www.lascarele ctronics.com/easylog- data-logger-el-usb-tp- lcd-probe-g/
WiFi Temperature Data Logging Sensor	EL- WiFi-T	\$161.49	Every 2 year	\$50	Lascar Electronics (manufacturer)	Software needed	<b>V</b>	٨	V	√	±0.1°C		https://www.lascarele ctronics.com/easylog- data-logger-el-wifi-t/
Temperature and Relative Humidity Data Logger with Graphic LCD Screen	EL- GFX-2	\$189.49	Every 2 year	\$50	Lascar Electronics (manufacturer)	Software needed	V	1	٨	V	±0.5°C		https://www.lascarele ctronics.com/easylog- data-logger-el-gfx-2/
Temperature Data Logger with Graphic LCD Screen	EL- GFX-1	\$171.49	Every 2 year	\$50	Lascar Electronics (manufacturer)	Software needed	V	√ 	٨	√ 	±0.1°C		https://www.lascarele ctronics.com/easylog- data-logger-el-gfx-1/
High Accuracy Temp/RH Data Logger with Graphic Screen	EL- GFX-2+	\$252.99	Every 2 year	\$50	Lascar Electronics (manufacturer)	Software needed	V	√	V	٨	±0.2°C		https://www.lascarele ctronics.com/easylog- data-logger-el-gfx- 2plus/
Dual Channel Temperature Probe Data Logger with Graphic Screen	EL- GFX- DTP	\$234.49	Every 2 year	\$50	Lascar Electronics (manufacturer)	Software needed	V	V	٨	V	±0.1°C		https://www.lascarele ctronics.com/easylog- data-logger-el-gfx-dtp/
InTemp VFC Temperature Data logger	CX402- VFC	\$169	3 year calibration (one time) for a total of six year life	\$75	ONSET	Software needed	V	1	٨	V	±0.5°C	InTemp app and cloud data storage no charge	http://www.onsetcomp .com/intemp/products/ data-loggers/cx402- vfcxxx

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ThermCo Dual Probe	ACCRT 8017	Contact Vendor	2 years	\$84	Thermco		7	1	V	1	±0.3°C		http://www.thermcopr oducts.com/ACCRT8 017-Vaccine- Temperature-Alert- Data-Logger.html
Flashlink Certified USB PDF Data Logger	40527	\$119	1 year	Contact vendor	Delta Trak		1	1	7	1	±0.5°C		https://www.deltatrak. com/certified-vaccine- usb-pdf-data-loggers
Rees Scientific		Contact Vendor	2 years	Contact Vendor	Rees Scientific		1	<b>V</b>	<b>V</b>	1	±0.5°C	Cloud based service available as well as notification system	https://www.reesscien tific.com/
AccuVax		Contact Vendor	2 years	Contact Vendor	TruMed		Certificate of service	V	7	1	±0.5°C	Cloud based service as well as notification system	https://trumedsystems _com/products/accuva x/
OneVue Sense		Contact Vendor	2 years after the data logger was first used to record or 5 years after the certification sate if the probe is not plugged in	Contact Vendor	Primex		V	V	1	V	±0.5°C	Cloud based service available as well as notification system	

Manufacturers of equipment who wish to add or edit the information above can contact the Immunization Unit with the email provided.

Please contact the NDHHS Immunization Unit at <a href="mailto:vaccine@nd.gov">vaccine@nd.gov</a> with any questions.