

Caring for Your AirTraps®

Treat them like fresh fruit.

Inside every cassette is a collection slide with an adhesive that captures spores and particulate out of the air. It has a temperature sweet spot — keep it there and your AirTraps perform their best, job after job.



STORE AT
60–82 °F
15–28 °C

Store unused cassettes **flat, in a cool, dry place**.
Do **not** use below 0°C (32°F). If they get cold, let them **acclimate to room temperature** before sampling.
Keep the inlet & outlet caps **closed** except during sampling.

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Keep them at room temperature

60–82°F, stored **flat, cool and dry**. That sweet spot is what keeps the adhesive gripping — it's the single biggest thing in your control.

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Keep them out of the car

Not the trunk, not the back seat — not in summer heat, not overnight in the cold. If you stop for the night, they come inside. You wouldn't leave a puppy or the groceries baking in a hot car; same idea.

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Check each one before use

They're translucent — give **every cassette** a quick flip before use and look for the **two black lines**. Lines there, you're good to go. A two-second habit.

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Send them back with care

Overnight when you can, laid **flat** in a padded mailer or box and logged on the chain of custody. The same care that got them to the field gets them to the lab.

DO

- ✓ Store them flat, at room temperature
- ✓ Bring them inside overnight
- ✓ Flip every cassette over before use
- ✓ Use a fresh cassette for every sample

DON'T

- ✗ Leave them in a hot or freezing car
- ✗ Let them sit in a trunk between jobs
- ✗ Store them loose or somewhere damp
- ✗ Use one past its expiration date