



Australian Government



## Pfizer 12 years+ (Purple) – Vaccine Shelf-Life Extension

Dear COVID-19 Vaccination Partner

The Therapeutic Goods Administration (TGA) has approved a shelf-life extension of **Comirnaty Pfizer 12 years+ (Purple)** from 12 months to 15 months from the manufacture date.

**NOTE that the extended expiry date DOES NOT replace the thawed use-by date for vaccines, which remains at:**

- **31 days from the thaw date for Pfizer 12 years+ (Purple)**

It is vital that sites are aware of the differences between the extended expiry date and the thawed use-by date, which are both applicable for mRNA vaccines:

- The extended expiry date indicates the shelf-life for the vaccine while stored in the freezer or ultra-low temperature storage.
- The thawed use-by date is the use-by date for vaccine that has been thawed. This commences at the time the vials are removed from the freezer or ultra-low temperature storage.

**Prior to administration, both the extended expiry date and thawed use-by date should be checked and the earliest of these dates should be considered the expiry date.** Please ensure your site has clear processes to identify and action these dates to prevent vaccine administration errors.

Please reference the below table for existing **Pfizer** vaccine stock, as well as when receiving new orders, for the extended expiry date. The packaging associated with the below batches has not been amended to reflect the shelf-life extension. Please update the expiry date on the packs and vials to reflect this change. The new expiry date of each batch will also be shown in CVAS when completing delivery acceptance.

Please reach out to the Vaccine Operations Centre (VOC) on 1800 318 208 or via [COVID19VaccineOperationsCentre@health.gov.au](mailto:COVID19VaccineOperationsCentre@health.gov.au) if you have any questions.

We are grateful for your continued support in facilitating the safe and effective administration of COVID-19 vaccines.

Kind Regards

Department of Health Vaccine Operations Centre (VOC)

The table below shows the new extended expiry dates, which applies to all batches:

**Pfizer 12 Years+ Purple**

Batch Number	Labelled Expiry Date	Extended Expiry Date (15 Months)
210957	28/02/2022	30/11/2022
FH3221	28/02/2022	30/11/2022
FK0892	28/02/2022	30/11/2022
FK6268	28/02/2022	30/11/2022
FL3560	28/02/2022	30/11/2022
FL5333	28/02/2022	30/11/2022
FL5729	28/02/2022	30/11/2022
FL7649	28/02/2022	30/11/2022
211065	30/06/2022	31/12/2022
211067	30/06/2022	31/12/2022
211069	30/06/2022	31/12/2022
211071	30/06/2022	31/12/2022
1F1030A	30/06/2022	31/12/2022
FK0738	30/06/2022	31/12/2022
FK9707	30/06/2022	31/12/2022
FL4210	30/06/2022	31/12/2022
FN0565	30/06/2022	31/12/2022
PCB0009	30/06/2022	31/12/2022
211172	31/07/2022	31/01/2023
1F1045A	31/07/2022	31/01/2023
1F1056A	31/07/2022	31/01/2023
PCA0057	31/07/2022	31/01/2023

Batch Number	Labelled Expiry Date	Extended Expiry Date (15 Months)
PCA0065	31/07/2022	31/01/2023
8000010	31/08/2022	28/02/2023
8000281	31/08/2022	28/02/2023
8000898	31/08/2022	28/02/2023
8001016	31/08/2022	28/02/2023
1F1057A	31/08/2022	28/02/2023
1F1058A	31/08/2022	28/02/2023
35627TB	31/08/2022	28/02/2023
36644TB	31/08/2022	28/02/2023
36678TB	31/08/2022	28/02/2023
PCA0068	31/08/2022	28/02/2023
PCA0074	31/08/2022	28/02/2023
PCB0020	31/08/2022	28/02/2023
220102	30/09/2022	31/03/2023
8001803	30/09/2022	31/03/2023
PCA0077	30/09/2022	31/03/2023
PCA0080	30/09/2022	31/03/2023
204003	30/09/2022	31/03/2023
204003	30/09/2022	31/03/2023
36715TB	30/09/2022	31/03/2023
SDYY2	30/09/2022	31/03/2023
SDYY1	30/09/2022	31/03/2023