1. **In an upright freezer, put a few cold packs in areas where vaccine cannot be stored, like the door, top shelf, and floor.**

   In a chest freezer, put a few cold packs in the basket at the top or on the floor.

2. **Use a VFC-compliant thermometer to ensure accurate temperatures.**
   For more information about thermometer requirements, go to EZIZ.org.
   Have a back-up VFC-compliant thermometer handy in case there’s a problem with the one in the freezer.
   Place the thermometer probe in the center of the freezer.

3. **Attach the digital display to the outside of the freezer, either on the door or on the side.**
   Set the modes on the display so that it shows MIN and MAX temperatures.

4. **Plug in the freezer.**

5. **If the freezer has a thermostat, set it below 0°F.**
   If it has a dial with a range of settings, set it to the coldest.
   Check the temperature the next morning. Adjust the thermostat until the temperature stabilizes below 0°F.

6. **Once the temperature has stabilized, record CURRENT, MIN, and MAX temperatures on the log twice a day.**
   Set the alarm on the thermometer.
   Do not store vaccine in the freezer until the temperature stays below 0°F for 3–5 days.