

GENERAL GUIDELINES

GENERAL RECOMMENDATIONS

- Each sample should be sent in an individual container clearly marked with name and identification details.
- All samples for RNA virus detection must be transported in RLT buffer/ RNA later buffer.
- Please verify the type of samples for particular test in Test and Samples and the type of containers in Sample Tubes and Containers.
- Fill the Sample Form accordingly.
- Heparin (Green cap glass tube) tubes must be used for chromosomal analysis.

SAMPLING AND LABELLING INSTRUCTIONS

Blood

- All samples must be clearly labelled with the animal name and unique identification number.
- For DNA typing , submit 10ml blood (2 tubes) per animal if possible.
- For Pathogen identification, submit 2-5ml.

Hair

- Please, place approximately 20 hair samples (neck/nape or tail) from each animal.
- Hairs should be pulled out so as hair follicles remain intact.
- Hairs should be placed in a sealed plastic bag or an envelope which is clearly labelled with the name and individual unique identification number of the animal.
- Please ensure hair samples are clean without contamination (e.g. urine, fecal)

Feather

- Samples either in bags or tubes should be labelled with clear name and unique number for a bird.
- Feathers must be physically plucked. Moulded feathers cannot be used for testing.
- Very small feathers located under the wings are not recommended.

Egg shell membrane

- Collect the inner eggshell membrane and place it in a zip-lock bag.
- Alternatively, we accept whole egg shell if it is not possible to remove the membrane.

Organ/Tissue

- Place it in plastic screw cap container.
- Label the container accordingly.

Milk

- Place it in plastic screw cap container.
- Screw the cap tightly to prevent leakage.

DELIVERY AND STORAGE INSTRUCTIONS

- Deliver samples to the Central Veterinary Research Laboratory , P.O box 597, Dubai, UAE
- Blood samples should be delivered on the day of collection if possible,
kept at 4 degrees during transport. If overnight storage is unavoidable please keep
at 4 degrees. DO NOT FREEZE.