
How to collect a sample for a

WormTest



Results from a Wormtest will indicate if your sheep or goats need drenching.

1. Muster animals. Draft away lambs/kids. Hold the animals in the corner of the paddock or yard. **Do not** pack the animals too tightly or pellets will be trampled. After 10 minutes allow the animals to slowly move away.
2. Collect a fresh dung sample from a discrete individual deposit on the ground. Open the Para-tech™ tray and **completely fill** one well of the tray with this dung sample.
3. Continue collecting samples from a total of 10 different dung piles into the 10 wells on the tray. Snap the tray closed. Ensuring that the tray is sealed.
4. Place the Para-tech™ tray inside the labelled zip lock bag.
5. Fill in the white advice note. The information provided will remain confidential and is necessary for correct interpretation. Please fill in as many details as possible.
6. Place the zip lock bag and the completed form in the black plastic bag and seal.

NOTE: The outer clear plastic bag has the **freepost sticker** attached.

You **must use this bag** or your samples will not reach the laboratory.

7. Write your name, address and phone number on the 'free post' bag label.
8. Place the black plastic bag in the large clean 'free post' bag and seal.
9. **IMPORTANT: Keep collected material cool and out of the sun.**
10. Refrigerate, do not freeze, between collection and posting.

NOTE: Collect the sample and deliver to the laboratory or mail as soon as possible at any Post Office.

Due to current delays experienced by Australia Post, please consider using an Express Post bag.

11. Testing is normally completed within two working days of receipt at the laboratory. The report will be emailed to you.

For urgent results, contact the Animal Health Laboratories, Department of Natural Resources and Environment Tasmania, P: (03) 6777 2111.

If you have any difficulties in interpreting the result, contact your veterinarian.

More information about Wormtests and Fluke tests can be downloaded from our website

<https://nre.tas.gov.au/biosecurity-tasmania/animal-biosecurity/animal-health-laboratories/labfacts>