

Sampling & Shipping Guidelines

Sample Volumes

- Johne's Fecal Test: 3 grams
- Johne's Milk Pooled or Bulk Tank: 50 ML
- BVD Tissue: Ear Notch
- All other test types: 4 mL

Sample Storage

- Milk: fresh, frozen, or preserved
- Feces: fresh or frozen
- Tissue: fresh or frozen
- Blood: fresh, spun and separated; OR serum OR EDTA plasma

Packaging

- Place sample containers in Styrofoam cooler or any tightly sealable container.
- Pack absorbent material (such as paper towel) around milk, blood and fecal samples to soak up the contents in the event of leakage.
- Place frozen ice packs over samples for proper cooling during shipping.
- Include Sample Submission Form(s). Place inside container in a plastic bag to avoid damage from any leakage or condensation.
- Seal shipping container with packaging tape.

Shipping

- Ship samples Monday – Wednesday to avoid weekend deliveries.
- FedEx or UPS are acceptable carriers.
- Second day delivery/expedited shipping is not necessary unless desired.
- When using shipping arranged by CentralStar
 - United States Postal Service (USPS) – if size appropriate, the box can be put in your mailbox. If the box is too large, contact your postal carrier or take to your local post office.
 - UPS – Contact UPS directly for a pickup or take to your local UPS drop off location.
- When shipping from Canada, please include the U.S. Department of Agriculture import permit with shipping documents.

Ship Samples to

- CentralStar Michigan Lab, 1163 Comet Lane, Grand Ledge, MI 48837. Phone: 517.333.8381
- CentralStar Wisconsin Lab, 200 East Kelso Road, Kaukauna, WI 54130. Phone: 920.733.6598

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