



Oregon State University Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory

Rabies Testing: Mailing and Shipping Information

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Testing schedule: Monday through Friday (except holidays)

Routine testing is normally completed by 5 pm the day following specimen receipt; the turn-around should be less than 48 hours.

Fees: Oregon \$71.00 (\$63.00 + \$8.00 accession fee)
Out-of-State \$91.00 (\$83.00 + \$8.00 accession fee)

Carcass disposal: Small mammals = \$7.00; **Bats are not subject to the disposal fee.**
Ag animals, cats/dogs, horses, llama/alpacas, and wildlife < 300 lbs = \$25.00.
Ag animals, horses and wildlife >300 lbs = \$50.00.

Packaging: Specimen is to be packed in a clear leak proof container (i.e. zip-lock bags, plastic or unbreakable containers with lids, etc.), triple-packaging is preferred, and packed on ice (blue ice, chemical ice, etc. – not frozen water or dry ice.) It is recommended to place newspaper, paper towels, etc. in the shipping box to absorb condensation.

*****Shipping clinical specimens in non-leak proof containers can have legal implications for you.*****

Place the submission form in a zip-lock bag in the top of the box. This submission form should include the submitting party's name, address, telephone number (fax number if applicable), email and circumstances involving the test request.

- If the specimen is submitted by an individual, a check must be included with the submission.
- If the specimen is submitted by a veterinary clinic or health department (or other agency), billing is possible if complete information is included.

If there has been human exposure (bite) the County Health Department or State Health Department **must** be contacted before sending the specimen to us. Please include the name and telephone number of the person authorizing the testing on the paperwork. For human bite cases, expect 24 hour turn-around with same day completion if possible.

Please do not submit live bats – bats should be properly euthanized before shipping. Dead bats may be frozen if there is a delay in shipping; other species should be refrigerated, not frozen. All specimens should be shipped with plenty of coolant. To reduce shipping costs, the head of larger species may be sent. Since there is no one here over the weekend to receive shipments, packages should be sent overnight Monday through Thursday. UPS or FedEx are the preferred shipping method as these packages arrive earlier in the day.

Questions? Please contact the Veterinary Diagnostic Lab office at 541-737-3261.