



**Testing schedule:** Monday through Friday (except holidays)

**We are not able to accept after hours submissions at this time.**

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

**For urgent cases (known or suspected human bite\*), testing requires prior approval from the County or State Health Department. We will not accept an animal without approval.** If fresh, non-frozen specimen is received by 10:00 AM (M-F), results are generally reported the same day.

**Fees:** **In-state testing:** \$87 + \$8 accession fee = **\$95.00**

**Out-of-state testing:** \$115 + \$8 accession fee = **\$123.00**

**NOTE:** Confirm with the Business Office that all submission and billing/DocuSign documents have been completed at the time of animal submission. Failure to do so will delay release of rabies results to you.

<https://app.smartsheet.com/b/form/6a4d7752d7e0407e8519219b2385ecbc>

**Carcass disposal:** Whole animals are subject to a disposal fee as follows:

< 2 kg \$10.00

3 – 70 kg \$75.00

70+ kg \$150.00

**Bats are not subject to the disposal fee.**

Cremation arrangements may be made with a third-party cremation company if rabies results are negative. Contact information for several cremation companies is available on our website. See Necropsy Services for this information. If results are positive, the Oregon Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory will dispose of the body following established biohazard procedures.

**\*If there has been human exposure (bite) the County Health Department or State Health Department **MUST** be contacted for approval before sending the specimen to us.**

- State Health Department:  
<https://www.oregon.gov/oha/ph/diseasesconditions/diseasesaz/rabies/pages/bats.aspx>
- Local Health Authority:  
<https://www.oregon.gov/oha/PH/ProviderPartnerResources/LocalHealthDepartmentResources/Pages/lhd.aspx>
- Please include the name and telephone number of the person authorizing the testing on the paperwork with your submission. For human bite cases, expect 24 hour turn-around with same day completion if possible, as stated above.

**Do not submit live bats. Do not freeze or refrigerate live bats. Do not attempt to euthanize live bats.**

Contact a local veterinarian, your local Health Department, or your local office of the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife for assistance euthanizing a bat:

[https://www.dfw.state.or.us/agency/directory/contact\\_us.asp](https://www.dfw.state.or.us/agency/directory/contact_us.asp)

## Rabies Testing Information

**Ship refrigerated animal remains within 24 hours if possible. Freeze animal remains if not able to ship within 48 hours of collection. Ship overnight, Monday through Thursday only.** To reduce shipping costs, the head of larger species may be sent.

**\*\*\*Specimen must be correctly packaged to comply with all federal shipping regulations. Not following regulations can have legal implications for you.\*\*\***

**Packaging:** Specimen is to be packed in a clear leak proof container (i.e. zip-lock bags, plastic or unbreakable container with lids, etc.), triple-packaging is required, and packed on ice (blue ice, chemical ice, etc. – do not use frozen water or dry ice). Place absorbent material (newspaper, paper towel etc.) between the primary container and the secondary container (bag with bat, second bag contains absorbent material).

**An itemized list of contents must be placed inside the box.**

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.

The outside of the package must be labeled with the specific UN3373 Biological substance, Category B label (see page 2) and your contact information (in case there is a problem with the package in transit).

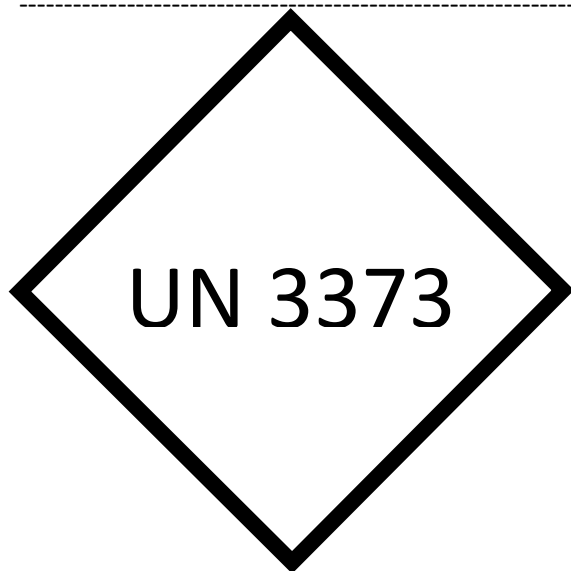
We recommend shipping with either UPS or FedEx. These couriers deliver to us in the morning and we find them to be more reliable than other mailing services.

Questions? Please contact the Oregon Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory at 541-737-3261.

### **Category B: Shipping Label for Biological Substances**

The label below will print with the required dimensions. Affix the label to the package by covering it with clear tape, this will protect it from any moisture.

*Cut along both dashed lines – the Itemized List of Contents is to be enclosed inside the package.*



**Biological Substance, Category B**

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Rabies Testing Information

Itemized List of Contents: IATA Packing Instructions 650

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**This package contains**

	Whole animal	
	Fresh tissue	

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	Accession Form		Secondary Container
	Diagnostic Specimens		Gel Pack/Refrigerant
	Absorbent Material		UN Label/Responsible Party