



Necropsy Services Information

Hours available:

Monday through Friday 8:00 AM- 5:00 PM (except holidays)

Submissions received after 3:00 PM may be processed the next business day.

Afterhours drop-offs must be arranged with the on-call pathologist and will incur a \$200 surcharge.

For urgent after-hours herd health emergencies (multiple animals involved), please call 541-737-3261 to request a call back from a Veterinary Pathologist.

For other non-urgent inquiries, please call 541-737-3261 and leave a message. We will respond to your message the following business day.

The submission should be accompanied by a succinct complete history of clinical presentation, treatment, and results from relevant testing. An incomplete history may lead to misinterpretation of findings on postmortem examination.

Routine testing is normally completed within 2-3 weeks following receipt of the animal. This timeframe may vary depending on testing requested by the pathologist assigned to the case. Testing such as bacterial culture or virus isolation may lengthen the time required to obtain results.

Please see **Rabies Testing Information** on our website for more information about rabies testing.

Necropsy fees:

Necropsy fees are listed in the **Test Catalog** on our website or within the **Client Portal**. Fees vary depending on the species and weight of the animal. Search for Necropsy and choose the correct necropsy service, according to the size and species of animal. The listed fee includes an external examination of the animal and examination of the internal organ systems. Microscopic examination of tissues will be performed as needed for diagnosis.

The necropsy fee does not include additional testing that may be requested by the pathologist. If additional ancillary testing is performed, each test will be charged separately.

A price cap for total fees charged may be requested at the time of submission. Please indicate this on the submission form.

In addition to routine necropsies, abortion screen services are also available which include limited ancillary testing. Please see the Test Catalog on our website or Client Portal for more information.

Necropsy cases performed for insurance or legal concerns incur a \$250 surcharge.

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Care of remains following necropsy:

For safety reasons, animal remains cannot be released to owners following a necropsy service.

Available services include private/communal cremation or communal disposition/burial. Communal burial is included in the price of the necropsy. The OVDL does not perform cremation services.

If cremation is desired, the submitter must personally make arrangements with a professional cremation company. Please provide the name of the cremation company on the submission form at the time of submission. If no choice is provided, the remains will be sent for communal burial.

Note:

If paw prints, nose prints, collection of hair, fur or feathers is desired, this must be completed prior to drop-off for necropsy. Collars will not be returned; please remove prior to drop-off. The OVDL is not able to provide these services due to biosafety concerns.

The OVDL does not endorse specific cremation companies; however, the companies listed below routinely pick up from the OVDL. Private or communal cremations are available (may vary by company). Please contact the company of your choice to make arrangements. If arrangements are not made, the company will not pick up remains.

Heavenly Wings Pet Cremation

Salem: (503) 507-2338

<http://www.heavenlywingspetcremation.com/>

West Coast Pet Memorial

Eugene (formerly Rest Assured): (541) 746-0244

Portland: (503) 722-4521

<https://www.westcoastpetmemorial.com/>

Peaceful Heart Aquamation

Philomath: (541) 929-8145

<https://peacefulheartaquamation.com/>

Rivers Edge Pet Medical Center

Albany: (541) 924-1700

<https://riversedgepmc.com>

Newberg Pet Cremation

Newberg: (503) 979-3254

<https://www.newbergpetcremation.com>

Pet After life Services NW

Washougal, WA: (360) 844-9578

<https://www.PALSNW.com>