



## Oregon State University Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory

### Rabies Testing: Mailing and Shipping Information

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**Shipping/Courier Address**

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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. Results are reported by 5 pm on the day of testing.

**Fees:** Oregon \$60.00 + \$8.00 accession fee  
Out-of-State \$80.00 + \$8.00 accession fee

**Carcass disposal:** Small mammals - \$5.00;  
Ag animals, cats/dogs, horses, llama/alpacas, and wildlife < 300 lbs = \$20.00.  
Ag animals, horses and wildlife >300 lbs = \$40.00.  
**Bats are not subject to the disposal fee.**

**Packaging:** Specimen is to be packed in a leak proof container (i.e. zip-lock bags, plastic or unbreakable containers with lids, etc.) \*\*\*triple-packaging 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 shipping box to absorb condensation. Place submission form or other paperwork in a zip-lock bag in the top of the box.

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

If the specimen is submitted by an individual, payment must be included with paperwork containing submitting party's name, address, telephone number (fax number if applicable) and circumstances involving the test request. If there has been human exposure (bite) their 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. If the specimen is submitted by a veterinary clinic or health department (or other agency), billing is possible if complete information is included.

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. UPS & Federal Express do not deliver on weekends. US mail is not picked up on weekends. There is limited access to Greyhound Bus packages on weekends but they do have access to a refrigerator for smaller packages.

Please contact the Veterinary Diagnostic Lab office at 541-737-3261 if we may be of additional assistance to you.