



Forensic Necropsy Submission Form

Animal Health Diagnostic Center

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LAB USE ONLY

AHDC Accession Number / Date

PLEASE NOTE: SAMPLES SUBMITTED FOR TESTING BECOME THE PROPERTY OF THE ANIMAL HEALTH DIAGNOSTIC CENTER AND MAY BE TESTED AS PART OF STATE/FEDERAL SURVEILLANCE PROGRAMS AND USED FOR RESEARCH

AHDC Client Account # _____		Internal Case/Reference # _____	
Submitter's Name _____		Owner's Name _____	
Agency _____		Address _____	
Address _____		City, State, Zip _____	
City, State, Zip _____		County _____	
Phone # _____		Phone # _____	
Email _____			
ANIMAL IDENTIFICATION	ANIMAL NAME / IDENTIFIER _____	SPECIES _____	BREED _____
		AGE/DOB _____	SEX _____
		WEIGHT _____	
Date & Time of Death _____		DISPOSITION OF REMAINS	
Natural Death/Found Dead _____		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Carcass stored for 5 business days after necropsy then disposed • Frozen tissue held for 60 days then disposed • Fixed tissue and items of evidence held for 1 year then disposed • Items accompanying the body (e.g. blankets, carriers) may be discarded 	
Euthanasia _____		Disposal at pathologist discretion (no additional charge)	
Last Time Seen Alive _____		Individual hydrocremation with cremains returned to submitting agency (additional charge based on weight)	
Method/Route _____		http://www.vet.cornell.edu/college/biosafety/hydrocremation.htm	
Found by _____		Performed by _____	
How was the body handled and stored after death? _____			
CASE SUMMARY	Please provide a brief summary of the case, including the history, incident scene information, and clinical examination findings, if applicable. <i>Failure to provide information about the known circumstances surrounding the death of the animal hinders interpretation and could result in inadequate diagnosis. Check if continued to next page</i>		
List any case specific questions that necropsy may help to answer: _____		Does preliminary investigation suggest any of the following:	
		Trauma Asphyxia/drowning Poor body condition	
		Poisoning Burns/fire exposure Hyperthermia/hypothermia	
		Inadequate routine care (e.g. no food/water, shelter, medical treatment)	
		Other: _____	
Approval for whole body postmortem radiographs?*		Additional documentation or evidence accompanying submission:	
*Strongly recommended in cases with suspected trauma		Check all that apply	
(Additional fee based on animal size)		Medical records Crime scene photos Intake photos	
Ancillary testing estimate approved in advance up to \$ _____		Laboratory data Police reports Other	
Has a chain of custody form been started? Yes No N/A		<p align="center">*****Required Client Signature*****</p> <p>This animal has not bitten anyone to my knowledge. Vaccinations, including rabies are up to date</p>	
* If not, please complete the chain of custody form attached. *			
OPENED BY: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> DHL <input type="checkbox"/> UPS-Grnd <input type="checkbox"/> Mail	DATE AND TIME REC'D: _____	
	<input type="checkbox"/> FX <input type="checkbox"/> UPS-ND <input type="checkbox"/> Pri Mail	SHIPPED: _____	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Exp Mail		

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CASE SUMMARY Continued. Please provide any additional details that may relevant to this case (e.g. clinical presentation, treatments, or medical procedures administered (including CPR), environmental conditions in which the animal was found, etc.)

Samples collected during a necropsy become property of the Section of Anatomic Pathology and may be tested as part of state/federal disease surveillance programs at no additional cost to the submitter.

Chain of Custody Form

- Pack specimen(s) in a leak proof container with appropriate coolant. Seal primary box with tape.
- Place primary container in secondary container prior to shipment.
- Place completed Chain of Custody & AHDC Submission form inside secondary box.
- Contact the AHDC to report tracking number or the name of the person delivering samples.

To be completed by Submitter and attached to outside of primary container

Client Name	AHDC Client Number (if known)	Client Phone
Samples packaged by	Date	Time
Number and description of samples in package:		
Courier or Delivery Person		
FedEx		
Does original signed CoC form need to be returned? (*)		Do samples need to be returned? (*)
Yes	No	Yes No
Do samples need to be retained by AHDC beyond 60 days? (*)		Yes No N/A

Samples Received at the AHDC: To be Completed by Employee Upon Receipt

Print Name	Date Received
Signature	Time Received
Name of Courier or Delivery Person	Tracking Number

IMPORTANT: Do not forget to complete or include appropriate AHDC Submission form. All forms as well as guidelines for the appropriate packaging of specimens can be found on the AHDC website: www.vet.cornell.edu/ahdc

() Maintaining Chain of Custody (CoC), return of specimens, and/or prolonged sample retention may incur additional costs. Please refer to website for current schedule of forensic services.*

External Transfer History:

Relinquished by: <i>Print</i>	Received by: <i>Print</i>	Condition:	Date:
<i>signature</i>	<i>signature</i>		Time:
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