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Health and Human Services

Texas Department of State Health Services

CAP# 3024401

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Questions? LabInfo@dshs.texas.gov

Specimen Acquisition: (512) 776-7598

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1 FORM = 1 SAMPLE

Please complete a separate form for each specimen submitted

SPECIMEN BARCODE

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G-9 Rabies Specimen Submission Form

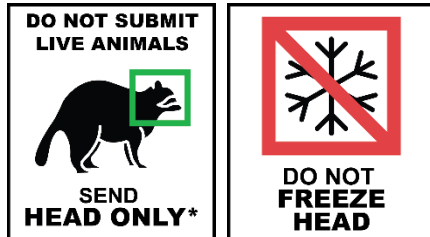
Submission Form Guidance

- All dates must be entered in **mm/dd/yyyy** format,
- Please complete a **separate form for each specimen** submitted
- Details of test and specimen requirements can be found in the Laboratory Testing Services Manual. Visit our website at <https://www.dshs.texas.gov/lab>
- Specimens submitted for rabies testing may be tested for other pathogens of public health concern as part of state/federal surveillance programs.
- For assistance or questions, email LabInfo@dshs.texas.gov

SECTION 1. SUBMITTER

** REQUIRED	Submitter Number <i>(Provide if Known)</i>		Submitter Name/Facility**			
	Address**		City **	State **	Zip Code **	Collected By
	Phone Number **		Fax **		Date of Collection	

Specimen Criteria



*Exception for bats and small rodents. Animal head will not be returned, no exceptions.

DO NOT SUBMIT LIVE ANIMALS

Always Call BEFORE Shipping



1-800-252-8163

This toll-free number is monitored by a recorder
24 hours a day, 7 days a week

State Law requires submitters to notify the lab in advance before shipping specimens for rabies examination. This process also helps to identify missing specimens and act promptly.

Emergency Saturday Testing

Emergency testing or preliminary result reporting will only be done on Saturdays **with prior approval**. To ensure same-day testing, specimen must arrive at or be hand delivered to the lab on Saturday by 8am.



Must Call to Schedule¹

Call the **Rabies Lab** before 4 p.m. on Fridays:
(512) 776-7595

Call the **Physician-on-call** after 4 p.m. on Fridays:
(512) 776-7111

¹Please be prepared to provide an after-hours contact number for results outside normal work hours.

SECTION 2. TEST ANIMAL – DO NOT SUBMIT LIVE ANIMALS

** REQUIRED	Animal Type**		Custom Unique Animal ID** <i>Examples: Pet Name, Pet ID, Chart #, MRN, etc.</i>	Animal Owner's Name	Exposure Date
	<input type="checkbox"/> Cat <input type="checkbox"/> Dog <input type="checkbox"/> Skunk <input type="checkbox"/> Fox <input type="checkbox"/> Bat <input type="checkbox"/> Raccoon <input type="checkbox"/> Bovine <input type="checkbox"/> Equine <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____		20 Character Limit - Must Match ID on Head	Specimen Description: <i>Examples: Brown dog, orange cat, etc.</i>	
			County of Animal's Origin**		

SECTION 3. EXPOSURE

** REQUIRED	Human Exposure: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown Type(s) of Human Exposure: <input type="checkbox"/> Bite <input type="checkbox"/> Contact (Handling) <input type="checkbox"/> Scratch <input type="checkbox"/> Saliva Location(s) of Human Bite/Exposure: <input type="checkbox"/> Hand <input type="checkbox"/> Foot <input type="checkbox"/> Neck <input type="checkbox"/> Arm <input type="checkbox"/> Head <input type="checkbox"/> Leg <input type="checkbox"/> Trunk <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____	Comments / Case Details:
	Pet Exposure: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	

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Carrier: <input type="checkbox"/> Hand <input type="checkbox"/> LSO <input type="checkbox"/> FedEx <input type="checkbox"/> UPS <input type="checkbox"/> Express Mail <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____	Comments:
Date Received:	
Time Received:	
Hotline Verified: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Initials & Date: