TAS FEEDTEST SERVICES **SAMPLING + SUBMISSION GUIDE**

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Accurate feed analysis is important to ensure consistent animal health and production performance. Regular testing of your forage is recommended because of quality variations in your pasture, silage and hay crops from season to season and month to month.

Timely analysis of your feed is essential for successful nutritional management and ration balancing, which is why we are proud to offer the only feed testing service in Tasmania.

1. Sampling Procedure

- When sampling silage and hay, we advise that you use a corer to attain a representative sample to ensure that accurate results are achieved.
- For more information on sampling, please visit our website: www.tasfeedtest.com.au

2. Weight

• Please supply a sample of approximately 100-200 grams, no more than 500grams.

3. Packaging

- For best results, package the sample in a supplied zip lock bag or one of your own, freeze the sample and label clearly before sending.
- It is not necessary to freeze the sample if the sample can reach the laboratory within a couple of days from when the sampling was conducted and the weather is cool.

4. Postage

- Samples are to be sent to Tas Feedtest Services at the address above.
- You are advised to send samples via express post, to minimise spoilage of the sample and so we can track the parcel if need be.
- Please send samples early in the week to avoid postal delays and freeze if necessary.
- Double check all your details so we can identify the sample type and owner.

