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Environment and Nutrition Analysis Request Form

Client name:	
Client address:	
Phone:	
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Sample identification (please tick as appropriate):

Hay	Haylage	Grass	Silage	Feed	Soil	Other
Description (e.g. 2016 1 st cut, road field):						
Date sampled:						

Tests required (please tick as appropriate):

Fungal Culture	Nutritional Analysis	Mineral Analysis

Mycotoxin Analysis						NOPS			Other (Please specify)
AFLA	DON	FUM	OTA	T2 & HT2	ZEA	FCS	HSP	As & Co	

Combination packages are available for all tests

Forage Sampling Procedures

The analytical result is only as good as the sample submitted for analysis. Collecting a representative sample is the first step of the analytical procedure. Following recommended sampling procedures will help ensure that your results reflect the true nutrient composition of your sample.

Hay & Haylage: Different types, cuttings or lots should be analysed separately. Take at least a handful from at least 5 bales selected at random. Combine all the samples and submit as one sample for analysis. The sample should weigh at least 80 - 100 g.

Grass: Randomly select between 15 –20 sites on a 'W' formation across the field where the animals have been grazing and clip at grazing height. Combine in a clean plastic bucket and mix. Take at least 500 g and pack tightly in a plastic bag and submit sample as fresh as possible.

Grains & Mixed Feeds: Bulk loads: Randomly collect around 10 samples as the grain is discharged and combine in a clean plastic bucket. Submit at least 500 g for analysis. Bags: collect sample from as many different areas of the bag as possible, mixing if possible to ensure a good representative sample is taken.