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Environment and Nutrition Analysis Request Form

Client name:	
Client address:	
Phone:	
Email:	

Sample identification (please tick as appropriate):

Hay	Haylage	Grass	Silage	Feed	Soil	Straw	Shavings	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						Naturally Occurring Prohibited Substances				Other (Please specify)
AFLA	DON	FUM	OTA	T2 & HT2	ZEA	Basic	Screen 1	Screen 2	Cobalt & Arsenic	

Combination packages are available for all tests

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, silage & straw:

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.