



HERDSURE has been designed to cost effectively manage the testing of many herds for multiple diseases over a long time frame. In order to do this we ask veterinary practitioners to assist us by testing the correct animals at the correct time.

SAMPLING RULES

- Please do not carry out any sampling until you receive sampling submission forms with instructions.
- Follow Herdsure[®] protocols as specified on the sample submission form. The Herdsure Management System follows a stepped testing process and skipping steps will cause delays for your client.
- Use the correct blood tubes and fill to a minimum of half way, to prevent having to revisit the farm and resample animals.
 - BVD - Green top (Heparinised)
 - All other diseases - Red top (Plain)
- If animals are not sampled, please record on the submission form the reason why.
- Bulk milk sample pots should contain preservative. (These are normally supplied by Herdsure with clear instructions)
- When taking youngstock blood samples please ensure the animals are in the correct age group for sampling.
- **All samples must correspond with full ear tag numbers. Otherwise testing will be delayed until we receive this information. Freeze brands and part numbers are not acceptable.**
- Ensure all paperwork is included with the samples - front page and ear tag list with corresponding blood tube number. Ear tag lists from TB or brucellosis worksheets are acceptable. Neospora Level 2 does not have an ear tag list so please use Form C (unscheduled submission form).
- Please tape together multiple boxes of bloods to avoid boxes being separated in the post.
- If you are unsure of testing requirements please call the Herdsure helpline prior to arriving on farm.

Further information can be found at www.ahvlascientific.com (click on Health Improvement Services)