



GoatGEN

Goat Nasal Swab Sampling Instructions

- 1) Check to make sure that the following items are included in this goat nasal swab sampling kit:
 - Sampling tubes (plus two extra tubes)
 - Cotton swabs
 - Hardcopy of Sampling Instructions
 - Hardcopy of Excel sheet

You will need:

 - Scissors
 - Marker
 - Pen
- 2) Select the goat being sampled and record the goat tag/tattoo on the Excel worksheet.
- 3) Take out one sampling tube containing preservative and one cotton swab from NRDPFC sampling kit.
- 4) Gently insert the swab up one nostril. Once inserted, angle the swab to contact the lining of the nose. Rotate the swab in a circular motion five times in the nostril. Repeat same steps for the other nostril using the **SAME** swab.
- 5) Remove swab from the nostril and immediately put into the labeled sampling tube containing the preservative. Ensure the swab is in the preservative by swishing the tube slightly so that the swab is completely immersed in the preservative. Be careful not to spill any preservative. Cut the end of the swab stick and cover sampling tube with lid. Ensure that the lid is tight.
- 6) Label tube in the assigned space with the tag/tattoo ID of the goat that you have sampled.
- 7) Enter all goat specific data on the Excel sheet (hard copy) provided.
- 8) Once all swabs have been taken and all data has been entered in the Excel sheet or on the hard copy, pack all sampling tubes, Excel sheet and USB stick into the provided labeled return envelope and send to GoatGEN at the NRDPFC for analysis.

For visual instructions on how to take a goat nasal swab please refer to the instructional video provided on the GoatGEN website (www.goatgen.com)