

Carcass Submission Guidelines

Whenever possible, submission of the entire carcass is preferred. Under ideal circumstances, the carcass should be submitted as soon as possible after death. If a period of time must elapse prior to submission, the carcass should be kept cool but not frozen. Freezing of carcasses should be avoided when possible, as freezing produces artifacts which make interpretation difficult. Please provide a complete clinical history with all submissions which should include your working or suspected diagnosis(es). It is most helpful when the attending veterinarian writes the history. Please feel free to call and talk to a pathologist regarding case material prior to submission if you have questions regarding sampling or specific tests.