

RABIES:

ISDH Guidelines for Animal Submission

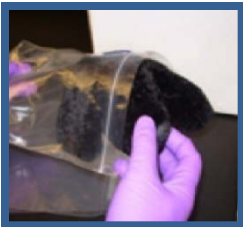


Required Materials:

1. Leak proof container or sealable plastic bags
2. Rabies specimen
3. Cold Packs
4. LimsNet Cover Sheet (Help Desk: (317) 921-5807)
5. Heavily insulated shipping box

NOTE: Live animals cannot be accepted for safety reasons.

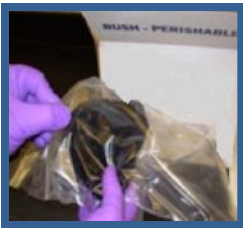
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Place animal head or entire dead bat specimen(s) in a sealable container (zipper style bag).

Completely seal bag.

2



Double bag the specimen(s) to prevent leakage during transport.

Completely seal second bag.

Place the LimsNet Cover Sheet in a separate zipper style bag.

Completely seal bag.

3



Place the specimen(s) on the cold pack(s) inside insulated shipping box (1 cold pack for bats, 2-3 cold packs for all other animals).

NOTE: Please do not use ice or packing peanuts during shipping.

4



Ship specimen(s) for overnight delivery to the ISDH Laboratories in an insulated shipping box within 24 hours of collection.

Ship in compliance with **DOT and IATA shipping regulations for Category B packages.**

NOTE: ISDH CAN ONLY RECEIVE SPECIMENS DURING REGULAR BUSINESS HOURS (8:15AM-4:45PM). PLEASE SHIP ACCORDINGLY.

For submission questions, please contact the Rabies Testing Lab at the Indiana State Department of Health Laboratories at 317-921-5500.



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