

Pennsylvania Animal Diagnostic Laboratory System



Chronic Wasting Disease Submission Form (Hunter Submissions)

**HAND DELIVER TO ONE OF THE LABS BELOW
IF MAILING, SUBMIT TO HARRISBURG (PVL) or
NEW BOLTON CENTER (NBC)**

Pennsylvania Veterinary Laboratory
PA Department of Agriculture
2305 North Cameron Street
Harrisburg, PA 17110
(717) 787-8808

New Bolton Center
University of Pennsylvania
382 West Street Road
Kennett Square, PA 19348
(610) 925-6725

Animal Diagnostic Laboratory
Pennsylvania State University
131 Pastureview Road
University Park, PA 16802
(814) 863-0837

Accession #:
(Lab Use Only)

Shipping Method:	Specimen(s) Submitted:
☐ Drop Off	☐ Whole Deer
☐ US Mail	☐ Head Only
☐ Courier:	☐ Fixed/Fresh Tissue
	☐ Other:

Misc. Notes:

(Lab Use Only)

Notes:

Specimens submitted become the property of the laboratory.

No animals/parts of animals will be returned under any circumstances.

There is a fee for this testing and you will receive a bill from PADLS.

PADLS reserves the right to share CWD results with the PA Game Commission to aid in surveillance efforts.

Hunter Information	Animal Information
Name:	Species: ☐ Whitetail Deer ☐ Elk ☐ Other:
Address:	☐ Wild ☐ Shooting Preserve
City/State/Zip Code:	☐ Male ☐ Female
County:	Date Killed:
Phone:	County Killed:
CHECK ONE:	Township Killed:
☐ Mail Results (using address above)	Wildlife Management Unit Killed:
☐ Fax Results – Fax #:	Any abnormalities noted:
☐ Email Results – Address:	
Certified CWD Technician (CCT) Name/CCT#:	

Disclaimer:

This is not a food safety test. Failure to find abnormal prions in the tissue examined is NOT equivalent to pronouncing this deer absolutely free of CWD prions. All laboratory tests for CWD only assess the presence or absence of prions in the specific tissue examined, at the time the tissue was collected, and at a level detectable by the assay being used.

I understand that there is a fee of up to \$80.00 per animal head (sample collection, accessioning, testing and disposal) and that I will receive a bill from PADLS laboratories for these services.

Hunter Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Specimen Submission Requirements:

- Antlers must be removed prior to submitting the head for testing. Any part of an animal submitted to the laboratory for testing must, and will, remain on the premises and will be destroyed once testing has been completed.
- Cut or saw the head from the carcass; leave the throat area of the neck attached to the head.
- Refrigerate the head until it can be delivered to the laboratory. The samples will keep for 3-5 days if refrigerated. Do **NOT** freeze the head. Samples which have degraded beyond the ability for us to test them will be discarded.
- Bring the double or triple plastic-bagged head to any PADLS location listed above. Leaking specimens will not be accepted.
- If shipping heads to the laboratory, contact the prospective shipper directly to determine what their requirements and restrictions are. If you do ship, be sure to include cold packs, use next-day delivery (not available for Saturday or Sunday), and include the completed submission form in a separate zip-lock plastic bag.
- Results will be reported approximately 2-3 weeks after receipt, but turn-around- time may vary depending upon the volume of sample submissions.

Additional information and Frequently Asked Questions can be found at padls.agriculture.pa.gov, www.agriculture.pa.gov and/or www.PGC.pa.gov.