

How to take a sample using the Zee Tags Ear Tissue Sampler Kit



Zee Tags New Zealand and Swans Veterinary Services have been working in conjunction to develop a robust and sterile ear notch tissue sampling device that doesn't leave a mark but harvests enough tissue to ensure accuracy is not compromised:


The Zee Tags Ear Tissue Sampler Kit


The Sampler Kit is capable of collecting tissue directly into a pre-labelled collection device, from which the sample could then be tested directly, reducing the likelihood of cross contamination or misidentification of samples for BVDV PI Testing.



IMPORTANT

- The male sleeve is always applied from the front of the ear.
- Always check front female pouch and card have the same numbers.
- Label animal ID on tag card next to the corresponding pouch number.


1  Remove one pouch from card, and record the identity of the animal being tested.


2  Insert the pouch into the adaptor - click firmly down. Ensure the plastic tab is facing forward.

Then position the sleeve over the applicator's retractable pin.

3  **IMPORTANT: take samples from the front of the ear.**

Position the tagger about 2cms from the tip of the animal's ear avoiding veins or ridges in the ear. Squeeze the tagger handles together in one quick motion to take the sample. When the sleeve and pouch have locked together, the tagger's arm will flick back releasing the pouch automatically.

4  The completed tissue sampler can now be popped back through the locator.

5  Place the samples in a plastic bag with their corresponding identity card and post them to the lab at **Swans Veterinary Services.**

IMPORTANT: freeze the samples if you intend to keep them for some time.



Post your samples to:

BVDV Laboratory
Swans Veterinary Services
Box 1514
Esperance, WA 6450

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