

60 Portland Road, Hamilton 3300

FIVE STEPS TO WORM EGG COUNT (WEC) (+/- FLUKE) TESTING

1. COLLECTION

One zip lock bag per mob sampled

Push mob into corner of the paddock, and hold for at least 5 minutes. (No need to yard mob)

Avoid

- Hot weather. Collect samples early morning
- Very weak or ill sheep
- Sheep yarded more than 4 - 6 hours
- Mixing different ages i.e. lambs/weaners/adults

DO NOT MIX EWE & LAMB SAMPLES

- A. Collect 20 + WARM fresh samples from the ground (*you can assess the warmth by squeezing the sample by hand even with plastic glove on*).
- B. Ensure each sample is an equal amount (around 5 grams of faeces) from each of the 20+ samples and place them all into one Zip lock plastic bag per mob with ~100 grams total per mob.

There are 5 zip lock bags provided in this kit.

Notes: 5 gms of faeces in volume measurement is:

*Dry Pelleted Faeces 5 pellets (Adults)
7 pellets (lambs)*

Moist Faeces 1 level teaspoon

- C. **Squeeze plastic bag** so all samples are compressed into a single ball.
- D. Before sealing the Zip lock plastic bags, roll plastic bag so that **all air in the bag is excluded**.

Note: No need to refrigerate if the faecal sample is in an airtight container with most of the air excluded within 30 minutes of collection.

E. Label each zip lock bag with:

- Owner name
- Date
- Mob identification
- Fluke Test (Yes/No)

F. Place bags in hard plastic container (provided) for posting.

G. Fill out Lab submission form (provided in the kit), (*without this information it is difficult to give advice or recommendations*).

2. DELIVERY

Deliver or post with completed lab submission form to:
60 Portland Rd Hamilton 3300.

- If posting use Express Post or our Reply Paid Bags
- Place bags in plastic box to avoid transit spillage
- Avoid posting Friday as delay over weekend can affect sample). Allow 2 days for delivery to our lab.

3. PROMPT RESULTS

Results emailed within 24 hours of sample arrival.

Those mobs that require urgent results mark accordingly so they get priority. Preferably ring us so we know you have urgent samples.

4. FREE VET PHONE CONSULTATION

Available with each WEC to discuss your results .

A WEC is only as good as the interpretation and advice that goes with it.

5. COST

A bulk sample (egg count only) test is \$29.70 on September 2019 A \$7.50 surcharge is added for each reply paid package returned.