



Rabies & HPAI Testing Specimen Submission: Wild Animals With Human Rabies Exposure

Wild Animal
With Human Rabies Exposure & Needs HPAI Testing

PHU submits OAVT RRP rabies specimen collection request with human exposure form online as usual.



Vet clinic/Animal Shelter contact CWHC HPAI hotline **1-866-673-4781** to determine if HPAI testing is available.

OAVT RRP RVT collects specimen and ships it to CFIA as normal. Rabies FAT results returned to PHU as usual.

If testing is available the vet clinic/animal shelter can swab the animal for HPAI (prior to RRP RVT arrival) and submit directly to CWHC. Results will follow.

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Note: For **animal to animal exposures** the animal owner should be referred to their regular veterinarian. The **veterinarian** may contact OMAFRA for assistance with risk assessments at **1-877-424-1300 (option 1)** during **business hours (weekdays 8:30 AM – 4:30 PM)**.

Note: Vet Hospitals and Animal Shelters interested in testing for HPAI should have swabs in stock for HPAI testing. Rabies specimen collection will not be delayed to obtain swabs for HPAI testing. Rabies FAT testing takes precedence when human exposure is involved.



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