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ICSB Epi Kit

Instructions for Shipping Canine Testes for Epididymal Sperm Harvest

When you wish to ship the testes from a canine that has been neutered, euthanized, or has died from accident or disease:

1. If there is time, call 503-663-7031 to arrange a time and date of shipping.
2. Place the frozen ice pack at the bottom of the insulated shipper.
3. Place about a ½-inch of folded newspaper on top of the frozen ice pack.
4. If the animal is to be euthanized:
Neuter the stud after anesthesia, but prior to euthanasia. If a euthanizing solution is used before the neuter, this will more than likely kill the sperm cells.
5. If the animal has died from injury or disease:
Allow the carcass to cool (DO NOT FREEZE) for two hours prior to removing the testes, if possible. After this length of time, the vessels may not need to be ligated.
6. Place the testes in the plastic leak-proof bag and place on top of the newspaper. Do not add any fluid, such as normal saline, to the testes. Place the crumpled newspaper on top so that the contents remain in position during shipping. **DO NOT FREEZE THIS KIT! IF THE SEMEN GETS TOO COLD, THEY WILL EXPIRE.**
7. Complete and enclose the **Authorization Form and a copy of the stud's registration certificate**, write on the box **“DO NOT FREEZE”**, and ship via **UPS Next Day Air or FedEx Priority for Overnight delivery**. We will contact you with the results. Please ship to:

ICSB 430 W Arlington St, Gladstone, OR 97027



If you would like us to return the specimen/testes, we kindly ask for advance notice and either a provided return label or authorization/payment for us to generate one. Please note that we are unable to retrieve the specimen from our biohazard waste, so advance notification is necessary if you wish to keep it. Prompt handling and return of the specimen is crucial to prevent decomposition.

PLEASE BE SURE TO CALL US AT 503-663-7031 PRIOR TO THE NEUTER TO CONFIRM WE ARE IN THE OFFICE TO RECEIVE THE TESTES!