

## **Eyeworm Sampling Data Sheet**

Your Name:		
Phone:		
Email:		
Date(s) of harvest:		
County of harvest:		
Comments:		

## **Reminders:**

- Each specimen should be one quail head and one wing together in a **single** zip-loc bag. . 10 specimens = 10 bags, each with a head and wing.
- Preferred quantity is 10-30 specimens per property.
- If sending quail from multiple properties, please complete a data sheet for each property. Sending the samples in one shipment is fine, but please keep the data sheets together with the quail from each specific property.
- Freeze the specimens first, then ship with ice packs or dry ice.
- Shipments should be sent Mondays through Thursdays. Do NOT ship on Fridays or weekends.
- Do not self-evaluate birds. We need specimens "intact" and in good shape.
- Failure to provide complete information or follow the above protocols will result in samples being discarded.
- Send specimens to:

RPQRR 1262 US Hwy 180 W. Rotan, TX 79546

• Questions? Call Dr. Dale Rollins at (325-650-0311)

## Tips for a collecting quality samples:

- Carry plastic sealable bags, such as ZipLoc, with you in the field. Size doesn't matter, so long as the sample you are submitting (either heads and wings or whole birds) will fit in it
- Place sample in bag, only one bird per bag, immediately after retrieving the bird. Often, parasites will attempt to exit the body of their host minutes after the host dies.
- ❖ Label sample bags with your name, location where the bird was shot (i.e., county or ranch), and the date. Also include this information written in pencil on a slip of paper inside the bag. Having this information written in 2 places reduces chances of the information being lost.
- Freeze samples as soon as possible after they are bagged. For our purposes, samples will remain viable indefinitely if they are frozen. For example, if you are hunting in the morning try to freeze samples by lunchtime.
- ❖ Individually bagging samples will help ensure that we are gathering high quality data on infection rates. In the event that worms do leave the host's body before the samples are frozen and are found in the bag, we will still be able to attribute those worms to a particular bird.
- Remember, please include one wing so that we can assess the age of the quail.