

National TSE Surveillance Program (NTSESP) laboratory submission form - cattle

Do you suspect an exotic or zoonotic disease

☐ No ☐ Yes

Disease suspected

Submission details

Your reference

Date sent

Submitted by

Code

Name

Practice name/district office

Postal address

Shire/town/suburb

State

Postcode

Landline

Mobile

Additional contact number

Email

Owner details

Owner

PIC

Trading name

Property name

Property address

Shire/town/suburb

State

Postcode

Physical address of investigation
(if different to above)

Landline

Mobile

Email

Reason for submission: NTSESP - cattle

By submitting this form, I have read and agree to the DPIRD Diagnostic Laboratory Services (DDL) terms and conditions, available at: agric.wa.gov.au/livestock-biosecurity/ddls-animal-pathology-services

Case number of any previous related investigation

Epidemiology

Species

Age (units)

Age (qualifier)

No. of animals in affected group

Breed

Sex

No. of animals dead

Property type

No. of animals alive and affected

Enterprise

Total no. of at risk animals on the property

Other species of livestock on property

Clinical syndrome

1°		2°	
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History**Clinical signs (specific TSE signs should be provided on page 3)****Post-mortem findings****Provisional/differential diagnosis**

Date collected		Number of containers	
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Sample types	List animal IDs	Test(s) requested
<input type="checkbox"/> fixed tissues		
<input type="checkbox"/> fresh tissues		
<input type="checkbox"/> swabs		
<input type="checkbox"/> blood tubes		
<input type="checkbox"/> blood films/smears		
<input type="checkbox"/> ocular fluid		
<input type="checkbox"/> faeces		
<input type="checkbox"/> content/fluids		
<input type="checkbox"/> other		

Please confirm you are submitting the required TSE exclusion samples for cattle:

☐ Fresh spinal cord, 2-3cm in length

☐ Fixed rest of brain, whole and undistorted

☐ Other samples to support alternate diagnosis

For details on the required brain samples, see DPIRD's [Brain removal and TSE sampling guide](#).

Additional information required for TSE program submission

Animal 1 details

Animal 1 age (estimate in years)

Is animal 1 homebred? ☐ Yes ☐ No
(if no, provide National Livestock Identification
NLIS number)

Animal 2 details

Animal 2 age (estimate in years)

Is animal 2 homebred? ☐ Yes ☐ No
(if no, provide National Livestock Identification
NLIS number)

Select a minimum of two clinical signs consistent with BSE shown by each cow

Mental status

- ☐ Altered consciousness
- ☐ Apprehension
- ☐ Behaviour change
- ☐ Herd hierarchy change
- ☐ Excitability
- ☐ Frenzy
- ☐ Hesitation at doors, gates, barriers
- ☐ Moribund without infection/trauma
- ☐ Teeth grinding

Sensation

- ☐ Blindness
- ☐ Excessive licking of the nose or flank
- ☐ Head rubbing or pressing
- ☐ Head shyness
- ☐ Hyperaesthesia (sound, touch)
- ☐ Hypoaesthesia (sound, touch)
- ☐ Kicking persistently when milked

Posture and movement

- ☐ Abnormal ear position
- ☐ Abnormal head carriage
- ☐ Ataxia
- ☐ Circling
- ☐ Falling
- ☐ Recumbency
- ☐ Tremor
- ☐ Fetlock knuckling
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Cattle TSE eligibility criteria

1. Aged 30 months or more, but less than nine years.
2. Observed alive by submitter.
3. Displayed at least two signs consistent with bovine spongiform encephalopathy (BSE) - see list above.
4. No more than two cattle can be submitted to NTSESP from this property, for this disease incident.

Confirmation of eligibility*

- ☐ I confirm that the animal(s) meet **all** of these TSE eligibility criteria and **all** of the required samples are being submitted.

National Transmissible Spongiform Encephalopathies Surveillance Program (NTSESP) veterinarian claim form - cattle

Tax invoice

Creditor's name			
Postal address			
Australian Business Number (ABN)	49% of rebate withheld unless ABN provided		
Rebate			
<input type="checkbox"/> A National TSE rebate: _____ animals at \$330 per animal = \$ _____ (GST inclusive) Available for a maximum of two animals per property per disease outbreak.			
<input type="checkbox"/> B Travel rebate: _____ kilometres (km) at 66 cents per km = \$ _____ x 1.1 = \$ _____ (GST inclusive) 200km is the maximum total travel distance that can be claimed.			
Total amount claimed (A+B): \$ _____ (GST inclusive)			
Payment method			
<input type="checkbox"/> Credit card transfer <input type="checkbox"/> Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT)			
Note: The first time a vet clinic is paid by EFT, the clinic must fill out the 'Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development Supplier creation and maintenance form' to provide bank details. Please contact your local DPIRD vet for a copy.			
NTSESP veterinarian payment conditions			
The submitting veterinary surgeon must be registered in the state of Western Australia and must have conducted a necropsy examination on the animal(s) indicated in this form. The claim will not be accepted where the animal does not meet the eligibility criteria or if the appropriate samples or case information have not been submitted.			
<input type="checkbox"/> I agree to the NTSESP veterinarian payment conditions.			
Name of submitting veterinarian: _____			
Signature	Print and sign		Date _____
Reminder: Please provide your producer client with the NTSESP Producer Claim form for cattle. Livestock producers can claim a NTSESP incentive payment for up to two animals per incident per property, provided the producer has a Property Identification Code.			