Sample delivery and testing schedule for the avian influenza (AI) virus PCR at the University of Minnesota Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory  1333 Gortner Ave, St. Paul, MN 55108

This schedule is in effect 7 days a week unless otherwise noted. Result completion times are approximate and will vary with the time samples are delivered and the number of samples delivered.

**Pre-movement testing and environmental testing**

1. Samples delivered to the Minnesota Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory (MNVDL) by noon or 6pm will be tested and reported the same day. Samples submitted by noon will have results sooner than 6pm submissions. When we are testing a lot of samples, it may take 5-6 hours to complete testing and reporting.

2. Testing on pre-movement and environmental samples that miss the 6pm deadline will begin at 9am the next morning. The 9am AI PCR test is *not* scheduled for Saturday or Sunday.

**Sick bird AI testing**

1. Please submit samples for sick bird testing during the day. It helps us greatly. Please contact the MNVDL by phone at 800-605-8787 and ask for either Dr. Rob Porter or Dr. Sunil Mor. Drs. Porter and Mor can also be reached during the day or after hours at 952-847-3476 (Dr. Porter) and 612-325-4620 (Dr. Sunil Mor).

2. We will accept samples until 8pm for same day sick bird testing. Please contact Dr. Rob Porter (952-847-3476) or Dr. Sunil Mor (612-325-4620) by 5pm so we will know when to expect sample delivery. See item 4# in "Sample delivery to the MNVDL".
Sample delivery to the MNVDL

1. Regular Business Hours: Monday - Friday, 7:30am - 4:30pm
   Samples should be delivered to MNVDL (1333 Gortner Ave) front desk

2. After Hours: Monday-Friday, 4:30pm-6pm
   Samples should be delivered to MNVDL Delivery Door (next to the loading dock). Please ring the buzzer to the right of the door and MNVDL staff will come out to collect samples from you.

3. Weekend Delivery: Saturday-Sunday, 10:30am - 6pm
   Samples should be delivered to MNVDL Delivery Door (next to the loading dock). Please ring the buzzer to the right of the door and MNVDL staff will come out to collect samples from you.

4. Late Night Delivery: Any day, after 6pm
   Samples should be delivered to the UMN Veterinary Medical Center (VMC), 1365 Gortner Ave. The front desk staff will store the samples in a designated cooler for UMNVDL staff to pick up the following morning. The VMC is 1/2 block up the hill from the MNVDL.