

**WVDL Pathology Section – Procedures and Fees
July 2024**

**All submissions must be made by a veterinarian or professional poultry/fisheries consultant.
\$10 accession fee will be added to each submission.**

PROCEDURES

Surgical Biopsy – Histopathology

Any species, fixed tissue only. Note: Fixed tissues from deceased animals (i.e. NOT surgical biopsies) will be considered a bottle necropsy.

	WI Resident	Out-of-State Owner
First site (anatomical location)*	\$63.00	\$63.00
Each additional site	\$28.50	\$28.50
Biopsies greater than 8cm (largest dimension)	\$91.50	\$91.50
Limbs	\$130.00	\$130.00
Decalcification	\$12.00	\$12.00
Immunohistochemistry (IHC)	Price varies, inquire	
Second opinions		
• Original submission at WVDL	No charge	
• Original submission elsewhere	Inquire	

*Up to 3 skin punches considered one anatomical site.

*Up to 3 endoscopic biopsies per organ considered one anatomical site.

Bottle Necropsy*

Any species, one animal. Includes fresh and fixed tissue.	WI Resident	Out-of-State Owner
	\$110.00	\$165.00

Production Animal Necropsy*

Any age bovine, sheep, goat, cervid, llama, alpaca, pig, mink, poultry, commercial fish.	WI Resident	Out-of-State Owner
	\$132.00	\$198.00

Non Production Animal Necropsy*

Any age horse, dog, cat, pocket pet, pet bird, zoo animals, wildlife	WI Resident	Out-of-State Owner
• 0-5 lb	\$214.00	\$321.00
• 5-100 lb	\$328.00	\$492.00
• 100-500 lb	\$500.00	\$750.00
• >500 lb	\$662.00	\$993.00

*Included in fee: gross evaluation, histopathology (H&E, special stains), most in-house tests (fecal, culture, MIC, PCR) excluding serology. Not included: disposal fees (see next page), referral tests, IHC, isolate storage and shipment.

*Multiple animals per submission policy:

- Mammals: Up to 3 fetuses/neonates from the same litter may be included as one necropsy fee.
- Poultry from commercial flocks (NOTE: Premise ID required): Up to 5 birds from the same age/group may be included as one necropsy fee.
- Commercial fisheries: Up to 5 fish from the same age/group may be included as one necropsy fee.
- Tissues will be pooled at pathologists discretion. Additional fees may apply.

Special Procedures

Brain removal	\$67.00
Spinal cord removal (additional to necropsy fee)	\$176.50
Forensic/legal necropsy - additional fee • Please call prior to submission for consult.	\$194.00
Insurance case – additional fee • Please call prior to submission for consult.	\$194.00
Euthanasia • Poultry and fish only. Please call in advance.	Inquire

* WVDL requires a legal entity (Police Department, Animal Welfare Officer, District Attorney) to be associated with all forensic/legal cases submitted to WVDL. Body retention is limited to six months.

Animal Carcass Disposal

Some animal carcasses and tissues require incineration or digestion as a disposal method. More information on our rendering policies can be found on our website under Diagnostic Resources. Composting available only for non-barbiturate euthanized domestic animals.

Please call in advance with any questions and to confirm disposal fee prior to invoicing your client.

	WI Resident	Out-of-State Owner
Madison Laboratory		
• Incineration	\$1.00/lb	\$1.50/lb
• Digestion	\$1.70/lb	\$2.55/lb
• Rendering	\$6.50 per 100 lbs	\$9.75 per 100 lbs
• Composting <200 lb	\$302.50	\$302.50
• Composting >200 lb	\$935.50	\$935.50
Barron Laboratory		
• Incineration	\$0.70/lb	\$1.05/lb
• Rendering	\$6.50 per 100 lbs	\$9.75 per 100 lbs
• Composting <200 lb	\$302.50	\$302.50
• Composting >200 lb	\$935.50	\$935.50

Cremation of pets – Madison and Barron Laboratories

- Cremation costs are company specific and based on weight; additional fees may apply for add-ons (name plates, urns, etc.). The companies that have scheduled pickups with WVDL are Midwest Cremation Services and Memorial Pet Services- alternate options may be used, however, we will not ship bodies to crematoriums, they must be picked up by the company. For pricing and options check company website(s).
- Large animal cremations – Limited to Head, Heart, and Hooves unless special approval is granted

Research Requests

The fee structure above does not apply. Routine WVDL diagnostic pathology services do not include research studies. Research studies may be possible to arrange with individual WVDL pathologists on a case by case basis, as part of scholarly activity, with the expectation of co-authorship on peer reviewed scientific publications. WVDL may also choose to perform ad-hoc histopathology services received for submission on our Histopathology Research Submission Form.