Plant & Pest Diagnostic Laboratory

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Office Use Only:
Sample #:
Date received:
Account #:

Submitter's Name Business		Check if client is same as submitter. Client Name/Business			
CityState	City		State		
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Non-Commercial turf - \$11 per sample (\$22 out-of-state) (Home owner submission) Commercial turf - \$25 per sample (\$100 out-of-state) (Golf Course, Sports Field, Sod Farm, Commercial Lawn Care) WE DO NOT ACCEPT CREDIT CARDS DO NOT SEND CASH!			Email reply to: Submitter Client Surface mail to: Submitter Client Send Invoice to: Submitter Client Copy Extension Educator		
Information about Submitter/Client (please Submitter Client Golf Superintender Sports Turf Dealer/Industry Rej	Submitter Client It Lar Lav D Pui	ndscaper wncare rdue Speci	Disease identificat Insect identification Weed Identification Other	ion n n	
	Turfgrass Infor	mation	n		
Turfgrass Species: Cultivar/Variety:			Field ID: Have these symptoms occurred		
Date Noticed:	Date Sent:	in previous years? (yes/no)			
Location:					
Putting Greens Surround Home Lawn When was turfgrass established?	Tees Athletic Field Park/cemetary What is the so	il pH?	Fairways Sod Farm Commercial Property Soil Drainage (good/goor)		
	gement Inputs wit				
Fertilizer	Herbicides		Fungicides ————————————————————————————————————		
Insecticides	Plant Growth Regulators		Aerification		

Photos are required for all samples showing pattern of the problem. Email photos to turf-samples@purdue.edu.

Use space on back of form to describe problem and for shipping instructions.

Describe the problem (Include symptoms, plant parts affected, pattern of occurrence, etc.)

Sampling

- Collect samples early in the week, especially if sending by mail.
- Take plugs from the outer margins of affected areas, including 2/3 symptomatic turf and 1/3 healthy turf.
- Take plugs at least 4-6 inches across with a cup cutter, knife, or shovel to a depth of 3-4 inches or to the extent of the root zone.
- If possible, send two total plugs per sample.
- Drop-off hours are Monday Friday, 8 am Noon and 1 5 pm. If door is locked place sample on table outside LSPS room 116 with this completed form. See PPDL website for map to lab. Metered parking spot is available. Call 765-494-7071 with any questions/problems.

Shipping

- Wrap each plug completely in aluminum foil (preferred) or newspaper to stabilize.
- Do not place the samples in plastic bags. Do not add wet paper towels or excess moisture to the packages. This can lead to proliferation of non-pathogens and increased sample decay during transit.
- Place the samples in a cardboard box and pack them tightly with newspaper or other packing materials.
- Please fill out the form completely and legibly. Pack the form in the box such that it will not get wet or damaged.

Mailing

- Take the sample on the same day you intend to mail it.
- Avoid exposing the sample to excess heat (i.e. closed vehicle on a hot day).
- Mail early in the week to avoid weekend delays in shipping.
- Use first-class mail. A next-day service or in-person delivery is the best way to ensure the sample arrives in good condition.

Photos

- Photos are required with each submission. Please email to turf-samples@purdue.edu.
- While close up photos can be useful on occasion, the best photos show the pattern of damage from eye level across the area.
- All photos submitted become the property of the PPDL and may be used for training purposes or publications.

