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SPECIMEN COLLECTION SERVICES

Guiding You to Accurate Results

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CHOOSING THE RIGHT ANIMAL DNA TEST

A RESOURCE GUIDE

With so many DNA testing options available, choosing the right test can feel overwhelming. This guide will help you understand your choices and select the test that best fits your needs.

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**PROFESSIONAL.
CONFIDENTIAL.
ACCURATE.
COMPASSIONATE.**
Results you can trust.



Secure &
Confidential



Accurate &
Reliable



Experienced
Professionals



Mobile &
Convenient

WHY CHOOSE THE RIGHT DNA TEST?



GET THE ANSWERS YOU NEED
Each test is designed to answer specific questions.



SAVE TIME & MONEY
Choosing the right test the first time avoids unnecessary testing.



ACCURATE RESULTS
Using the correct test ensures the most accurate and reliable results.



BETTER DECISIONS
Clear results help you make informed choices for your pet or program.

COMMON REASONS FOR ANIMAL DNA TESTING



PARENTAGE VERIFICATION

- Confirm sire & dam
- Resolve breeding disputes
- Register litters
- Support stud book applications



BREED IDENTIFICATION

- Identify breed or breed mix
- Verify breed for registration
- Helpful for rescues and shelters



HEALTH & GENETIC SCREENING

- Detect genetic mutations & health risks
- Inform breeding decisions
- Support proactive health care



REGISTRATION & PEDIGREE

- Verify lineage
- Support registry requirements
- Confirm bloodlines and heritage



LOST/STOLEN ANIMAL ID

- Verify identity
- Reunite pets with their families
- Provide peace of mind

TYPES OF DNA TESTS WE OFFER

TEST TYPE	BEST FOR	WHAT IT IDENTIFIES	SPECIES	SAMPLE TYPE	TURNAROUND TIME*
PARENTAGE (SIRE/DAM)	Breeders, owners, kennels	Confirms biological parentage		Cheek swab Hair with root	3-5 Business Days
BREED IDENTIFICATION	Owners, rescues, shelters, registries	Breed or breed composition		Cheek swab	3-5 Business Days
HEALTH & GENETIC SCREENING	Owners, breeders, veterinarians	Genetic mutations, traits, health risks		Cheek swab	7-14 Business Days
REGISTRATION & PEDIGREE	Breed registries, breeders, owners	Lineage and ancestry verification		Cheek swab Hair with root	3-5 Business Days
LOST/STOLEN ANIMAL ID	Owners, shelters, law enforcement	Identity verification for missing pets		Cheek swab	3-5 Business Days

*Turnaround times are estimated and may vary.

WE'RE HERE TO HELP



Our team will help you choose the right test based on your goals and your animal's needs.

Have questions?
We're happy to guide you!



Professional.
Local. Trusted.

QUESTIONS TO CONSIDER



✓ **What are you trying to find out?**
Is parentage the goal, breed, health, or identity?

✓ **What species is your animal?**
Different tests are available for dogs, cats, and horses.

✓ **Do you need results for registration?**
Some registries require specific DNA tests.

✓ **Will the test results impact breeding decisions?**
Health and genetic screening can help guide breeding plans.

✓ **Do you have a specific timeline?**
Let us know if you need results by a certain date.

✓ **Not sure which test is right for you?**
Contact us! We'll help you choose the best option.

OUR PROMISE



Secure & Confidential
Your information and results are always protected.



Accurate & Reliable
We use advanced technology and trusted labs.



Experienced Professionals
Nurse-led. Compassionate. Knowledgeable.



Mobile & Convenient
We come to you throughout North Alabama.



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS



CAN I DO MORE THAN ONE TEST?
Yes! Multiple tests can be performed from the same sample.



DO YOU OFFER AT-HOME KITS?
We offer professional collection services to ensure the highest quality results.



IS THE COLLECTION PAINFUL?
No. Our cheek swab collection is painless and non-invasive.



DO YOU TEST ALL BREEDS?
Yes! Our breed identification test includes hundreds of breeds.



HOW DO I GET STARTED?
Contact us and we'll help you select the right test and schedule your collection.



ARE THE LABS ACCREDITED?
Yes. We partner with accredited, industry-leading laboratories.



The right DNA test can provide answers that make a lifelong difference.



READY TO GET STARTED?

Scan the QR code to visit our website or call us today!



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