

## **CROWSHALL VETERINARY SERVICES**

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## Lion Code Sampling Procedure- Free range and Barn units

## Post cleaning and prior to a new flock going into the house:

1 gauze swab from each of the following 9 areas per house detailed below:

- Floor surfaces (including cracked areas)
- Walls (including cracked areas)
- High Beams/ledges and pipe-work
- Fans and Fan housing
- Manure belts/droppings boards, scratching areas
- In house open feed hoppers/feeders
- Drinkers/nipple spillage troughs/cups
- Nest Boxes/Cage Interiors
- Egg Delivery belts/Elevators
- PLUS all available rodent faeces, up to 25g, from surfaces in house, or in service area if none available in house (1 composite). If none available, producer to sign declaration and take gauze swab from areas around bait boxes.
- 1) Put on gloves
- 2) Moisten swabs using clean mains tap water
- 3) Swab each of the above areas covering an area of at least 100cm<sup>2</sup> per swab- about ¼ a sheet of A4 paper.
- 4) Place all 9/10 gauze swabs into one bag.
- 5) If rodent faeces present collect up to 25g and place in whirlpak bag.
- 6) Seal bag, label with house number—fill in paper work and forward to Crowshall Veterinary Services on day of sampling.

## Every 15 weeks- ALL FLOCKS on site/holding (commencing at 22-26 weeks of age)-

Litter

2 pairs of bootswabs per house (pooled)

- 1) Ensure that boots do not come into contact with disinfectant- ie have dedicated boots for sampling or place plastic overboots on boots before using bootswabs
- 2) Premoisten 2 pairs of bootswabs using mains tap water.
- 3) Place bootswabs on top of overboots/boots.
- 4) Walk the whole area of the house including slats and litter areas approx 100 paces per pair of bootswabs.
- 5) Place both pairs in the bag provided- label with house number.
- 6) Fill in Salmonella submission form.
- 7) Forward to Crowshall Veterinary Services on day of sampling.