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**BSE SURVEILLANCE  
SUBMISSION FORM**

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**1. BSE Referral Number**

**2. SUBMITTED BY**

**3. COLLECTION SITE**

Name (including Business Name) NVSL Submitter ID

Premises ID (or Lat/Long) or FSIS Plant Number

Email

Name (including Business Name)

Phone Fax

Street

Street City State ZIP Code

City State ZIP Code

City State ZIP Code

Phone Fax

Use separate submission form for each submitter, collector, collection site, and collection date combination. Attach a separate Bar Code Sticker (if available) for each sample in the spaces below. **Attach a separate BSE Surveillance Data Collection Form (VS 17-131) for each animal.** Sample IDs on this form match Sample IDs on BSE Surveillance Data Collection Forms.

Email

**4. COLLECTION DATE**

**5. COLLECTION SITE TYPE (select only one)**

Slaughter Plant      Public Health Lab      Diagnostic Lab  
Renderer              On Farm                      3D-4D  
**Other (describe)**

**6. COLLECTED BY or  if Same as Submitted by**

Name (including Business Name)

**7. SAMPLE INFORMATION**

Street

Number of Samples \_\_\_\_\_  
Preservation    Ice Pack    Other \_\_\_\_\_

City State ZIP Code

Phone Fax

Email

1 BSE Sample ID	5 BSE Sample ID	9 BSE Sample ID	13 BSE Sample ID
2 BSE Sample ID	6 BSE Sample ID	10 BSE Sample ID	14 BSE Sample ID
3 BSE Sample ID	7 BSE Sample ID	11 BSE Sample ID	15 BSE Sample ID
4 BSE Sample ID	8 BSE Sample ID	12 BSE Sample ID	16 BSE Sample ID

8. Additional Data (attach additional page(s) if needed)

9. Shipping Date	10. Signature of Submitter		
11. Destination Lab	12. Shipment Tracking Number		Accession Number
Condition Received	Distribution	Received by	

## VS FORM 17-146 IINSTRUCTIONS

**Complete a separate submission form for each submitter, collector, collection site, and collection date combination. If including more than one page, include the page number of total pages submitted (e.g., 1 of 3).**

**Also complete VS FORM 17-131 (BSE Surveillance Data Collection Form) for each animal listed on VS 17-146.**

### 1. BSE REFERRAL NUMBER

The number must be a unique identifier for the submission that will not be duplicated in any other BSE surveillance submission. The BSE Referral Number is used to associate the BSE Surveillance Submission Form to the BSE Surveillance Data Collection Form in the database.

The suggested format for the BSE Referral Number consists of 13 or 14 alphanumeric characters.

- First two characters are the 2-letter postal abbreviation for the State;
- Next two to three characters are the collector's initials (First, Middle, Last) ;
- Next eight characters are the collection date in the MMDDYYYY format; and
- Last character is a letter representing which submission form of the day it is for the collector (i.e., A=First)

Example 1. COSAJ06012006A

Translates to: Colorado – Steven Allen Jones – June 1, 2006 – first submission of the day.

Example 2. COSAJ06012006B

Translates to: Colorado – Steven Allen Jones – June 1, 2006 - second submission by Steven Allen Jones for that day, either from the same collection site or a different collection site.

### 2. SUBMITTED BY

Enter requested information for the person submitting the sample to the laboratory (the submitter). If the samples are being submitted to the NVSL, and the submitter has a NVSL Submitter ID, provide it.

### 3. COLLECTION SITE

Enter all the requested data for the collection site. Ensure that the National Premises Identification Number (if available) or the FSIS Establishment Number where the sample was collected is entered.

### 4. COLLECTION DATE

Enter the date the samples were collected. All samples on one form must be collected on the same day. Use the MM/DD/YYYY format.

### 5. COLLECTION SITE TYPE

Select the type of facility where the sample was collected.

### 6. COLLECTED BY

Enter all of the information requested for the person that actually collected the tissue sample for submission to the testing laboratory. If the Collector is the same as the Submitter, it is only necessary to check the indicated box.

### 7. SAMPLE INFORMATION

Specify the number of samples being submitted and the preservation method used for transport. For each sample, provide a unique sample ID barcode in the BSE Sample ID boxes immediately below Block 7. Barcodes are available in the sample kits or barcodes can be ordered from the NVSL at [ncah.shipping@aphis.usda.gov](mailto:ncah.shipping@aphis.usda.gov). In the event that barcodes are not available at the time of sample collection, contact the VS Area Office so that barcodes can be assigned for the submission.

### 8. ADDITIONAL DATA

Use this block to provide other pertinent information not captured elsewhere on the form or VS 17-131.

### 9. SHIPPING DATE

Enter the date the samples are shipped to the laboratory. Use the MM/DD/YYYY format.

### 10. SIGNATURE OF SUBMITTER

The submitter must sign the form.

### 11. DESTINATION LAB

Enter the name (or Laboratory ID) of the laboratory where the samples are being sent for diagnostic testing.

### 12. SHIPMENT TRACKING NUMBER

Enter the airbill or shipment tracking number for the package(s) being sent to the diagnostic laboratory.

Conditions/Distribution/Received By/Date Received/ Accession Number blocks are reserved for use by the testing laboratory.