






List of Approved Laboratories for BVD Test

Laboratory	 Biobest Laboratories Ltd	 The Cattle Information Service	 LGC Limited	 national milk laboratories	 SRUC Veterinary & Analytical Services
BVD test(s) undertaken for:	Farmers ✓ Yes	✓ Yes	✓ Yes	✓ Yes	✓ Yes
	Vets ✓ Yes	✗ No	✓ Yes	✓ Yes	✓ Yes
Cost per test (ex VAT)	£4.25 (Non members) £3.95 (Health scheme members)	£2.50	£3.60	£2.70	£3.50
BVD test method(s):	PCR ✓ Yes	✗ No	✗ No	✗ No	✓ Yes
	antigen ELISA ✓ Yes (Follow up)	✓ Yes	✓ Yes	✓ Yes	✓ Yes
Turn round from receipt of sample?	3 working days (if retesting is required 7 days)	5 working days	5 - 10 days	3 - 5 days	5 working days
How soon after taking sample should it be sent to the laboratory?	Within 2 weeks (should be kept in fridge)	Within 3 weeks	As soon as possible No longer than 4 weeks	Within 7 days	Within 1 week
Sample submission forms:	Paper ✓ Yes	✓ Yes	✓ Yes	✓ Yes	✓ Yes
	Online URL: ✗ No	To be advised	✗ No	TBC	✗ No
Results sent to:	Farmer ✓ Yes (If member/Scot Gov /direct sender)	✓ Yes	✓ Yes	✓ Yes	✓ Yes
	Vet ✓ Yes	✓ Yes if farmer consent given	✓ Yes	✓ Yes	✓ Yes
	Scottish database ✓ Yes	✓ Yes	✓ Yes	✓ Yes	✓ Yes, as required
	English database ✓ Yes (on request)	✓ Yes	Currently in progress	✓ Yes	✓ Yes, as required
Documentation for sending with sample:	Enclosed with tags ✓ Yes	✓ Yes	✓ Yes	✓ Yes	✓ Yes
	Online URL: ✗ No	To be advised	✗ No	TBC	✗ No
Postage for sending sample:	Prepaid ✗ No (pre-paid labels can be issued on request)	✗ No	✗ No	✗ No	✗ No
	Paid by customer ✓ Yes	✓ Yes	✓ Yes	✓ Yes	✓ Yes
ISO 17025 accreditation	✓ Yes	✓ Yes	✓ Yes	✓ Yes	✓ Yes
CHeCS Licensee	✓ Yes	Currently in progress	✗ No	✓ Yes	✓ Yes
Veterinary interpretation	✓ Yes	✓ Yes Available through a vet practice CIS have a 'retained' status	✗ No	✗ No (NML would always advise the farmer deals with their own vet but are happy to provide a vet to vet discussions on results)	✓ Yes
Other comments:	An extra charge for uploading to English database may be incurred. An additional charge for sending results by post may also be incurred (email is preferred)		LGC supports both the Scottish BVD Eradication programme and the BVDFree England Scheme. Samples can be accepted from any source provided we have them set up as a customer on our system. Positive and suspect samples are only reported as such after having undergone additional testing in the laboratory to ensure that the correct results are reported to the customer as we are aware of the implication to the farmer if a positive result is received.		All results reviewed and interpreted by vet Veterinary interpretation is ISO17025 accredited too. CHeCS licensee