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This is notification that there are quantity limits now in place for Rabies specimen mailing container orders. If there is a need to exceed the established limits, please contact the Rabies lab by phone 518-485-6464 to provide the justification to exceed these limits. Rabies lab approval is needed prior to the OGS warehouse shipping orders.

Submit requests via email to the following address: ogs.sm.gdc@ogs.ny.gov

Please copy and paste this ordering information in your email:

- Contact name and email address
- Facility name
- Complete shipping address
- Material requested

Small rabies specimen mailer _____ case quantity requested (4 kits per case)
A request of more than 4 cases each month requires DOH/rabies lab approval

Large rabies specimen mailer _____ case quantity requested (2 kits per case)
A request of more than 4 cases each month requires DOH/rabies lab approval

*additional rabies specimen transport bag _____ quantity requested (each) **A request of more than 5 each month requires DOH/rabies lab approval**

*additional rabies extra-large specimen transport bag _____ quantity requested (each)
A request of more than 5 each month requires DOH/rabies lab approval

*Please note - specimen transport bags are included in each specimen mailer kit

Each rabies kit includes: One pre-assembled shipping container, with outer cardboard box, EPS cooler, and two biohazard pressure bags.

- Two gel packs of refrigerant (store frozen until needed).
- Two plastic (13x20x4ml) bags for the animal head, livestock or other large animal brain, or entire body of bat. Secure and seal before placing in biohazard pressure bag*
- One large plastic bag that surrounds the closed eps cooler - not included in the smaller shipping containers.
- Two absorbent sheets to be placed in the biohazard pressure bags along with the specimen.
- Two blank history forms and directions* for collection and submission of specimens.
- One zip-lock bag for rabies history forms.

Questions or to request approval for additional supplies, please contact the rabies lab:
at 518-485-6464