

Frozen Semen Requirements

Collecting and Storing Canine Semen is a wonderful way to preserve a line or to have as a back up down the road. We here at Inver Grove Heights Animal Hospital are happy to assist you in this endeavor. Listed below are some common questions and items we need to make your appointment all go smoother. Please review and don't be afraid to ask questions!

Items needed at the collection:

- Paperwork: Semen Contract filled out, Semen Patient Form filled out
- Please bring any registration paperwork you have. (AKC, UKC, Breed club)
- We may need to collect a DNA sample on your dog, please withhold food for 2 hours prior to collection.
- We are not always able provide a Teaser (an in heat female). If you are unable to arrange to have one, please let us know and we can try to arrange something at the clinic.

Things to Consider prior to Collection:

- Is this Dog/Sample Co-owned?
- Is this collection going to be owned by you or someone else?
- Will this sample possibly be shipped Internationally?
- If you are not the owner, we will need in writing permission from the owner to collect the dog and for you to own the collection. (If different than the contract)
- Plan on being in our facility for 30-60 minutes for the collection.

Basic Information:

- Your first collection includes the first year of storage; you will be billed each year after for the coming year.
- You may have your dog collected and stored as much as you would like.
- We will need a Semen Release form filled out each time you want to remove it from storage. i.e. For a breeding, or to ship to another clinic.
- We make pellets here instead of straws.
- We can store other collections as well if you would like to ship anything for storage.
- The freezing process is very involved; it takes about 2.5-3 hours. We will always contact you after to let you know the amount of Breeding Units achieved.
- A Breeding Unit is 100 million Total Live Normal Sperm post thaw.
- We will not release any information on your dog or collections here unless authorized.



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