The Dirt on Submitting Samples to FAS





Ensure that samples are submitted **preferably** in an **FAS box.** If none are available to you then use any sealable **clean** container to avoid spillage.



Containers must be filled to the **top** with the soil sample and **sealed**.



Soil sample boxes and leaf sample labels are available from any SASRI Extension Office or contact the laboratory for more info.





All leaf matter must be submitted in either a **brown paper** bag or in **card-board**.



Samples submitted in plastic will go mouldy due to moisture build-up, compromising results.

Preferably air-dry leaf samples in a well-ventilated room before submitting to the laboratory.





Fertiliser samples must be submitted in clean, **tightly sealed** sample bottles and **clearly labelled**.





Spillage onto other samples will result in sample contamination and incorrect analyses.





Water samples must be submitted in clean, tightly sealed sample bottles, clearly labelled.

General Guidelines

Clearly label ALL sample containers with the Sample ID/Field number, Soil depth (if applicable) and your Contact details.



Samples should be neatly packed in a cardboard box and couriered to FAS or dropped off at your nearest

SASRI Extension office.



Ensure that the correct FAS submission form (Soil, Leaf, Fertiliser or Water) is filled in and attached to

your box of samples.
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