

FAS

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Submitting Samples to FAS

SOIL



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.



LEAF

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

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

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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