Shipping Frozen Samples to VMRD Services

- We suggest that you package your sample(s) in Styrofoam.
- We recommend adding 3 lbs. of dry ice per day of transit time plus 3 lbs. extra.
  
  Example: 4 days = 15 lbs. dry ice
- Ship fastest way available (Mondays and Tuesdays work best). This will help to avoid unnecessary stops in transit over weekends.
- Use following HTS codes:
  
  FBS: 3002.10.0240
  All others: 3002.10.0290
- Include 2 copies of each of the documents noted below with the shipment. One copy of each should be placed in a separate envelope or pouch that states “Paperwork for VMRD” or “Submission Paperwork: DO NOT REMOVE”:
  
  New VMRD Sample Submission form (Online form, or Portal-generated form)
  USDA, APHIS, VS, NIES Transit Permit (can be provided by VMRD)
  Health Certificate to include information requested in the Import Permit
  Form #4809-1 “Information for MSV or WSV Testing Material Submission” (when Master Seed Virus is to be submitted)
  Additional paperwork and/or materials as appropriate

- SDS
- Neutralization method (if opting out of VMRD’s method)
- Cell lines pre-grown (if requesting testing on a cell line)