

# How to cut your facial eczema grass sample...

## Sampling Technique:

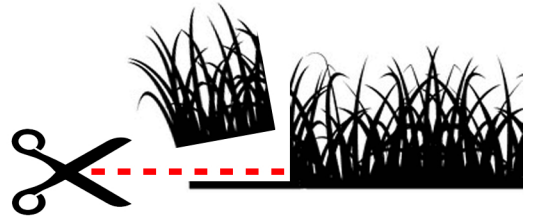
**CUT** pasture (leaf and stalk) with shears or scissors ONE cm above ground level from 8 to 10 representative sites across paddock.

**DO NOT PULL GRASS FROM GROUND!**

**We do not want dirt in the sample.**

We need a **MINIMUM OF 60g** (fill a bread bag).

Avoid sampling in gateways, around water troughs and dung patches, along fence lines.



## Paddock Selection:

Paddocks most susceptible are:

- warmest (i.e. north/ north-east facing) &/or
- sheltered, especially on south/south east boundaries
- ryegrass dominant
- high litter load, (topped, hay aftermath, laxly grazed, summer stalky)
- sample a couple of paddocks if topography (e.g. hills, gullies) or management (e.g. irrigation) varies across farm

## When:

Preferably in the morning.

## Delivery:

To clinic on day of sampling - do not leave it 'sweating' overnight in plastic bag.