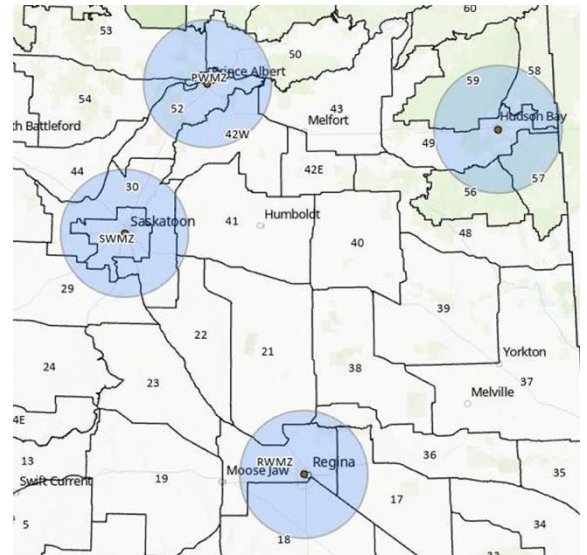


Carcass Samples Required for Viral Testing

The Saskatchewan Trappers Association, collaborating with Environment and Climate Change Canada, University of Saskatchewan, and Saskatchewan Ministry of Environment will be working with licensed trappers to conduct coronavirus studies on furbearers in the 2021-2022 season.

Animals harvested within a 75km radius of Prince Albert, Saskatoon, Regina and Husdon Bay will be eligible for a honorarium of \$20 per carcass, up to a maximum of 10 submissions per trapper. Each location will accept a total of 100 samples before closing. Please watch the website (www.saskatchewantrappers.com/collection) for updates or call the depot location before departing.

Members of the Saskatchewan Trappers Association will be eligible for the honorarium. (Your \$15 membership can be purchased online at www.saskatchewantrappers.com/membership).



CRITERIA

1. You must be a licensed trapper within Saskatchewan.
2. Each trapper will be eligible to submit a maximum of 10 samples. You can only submit samples for yourself – do not bring 20 samples and a license from someone else.
3. ****NEW Travel has expanded**** Animals must be harvested within a **75km** radius of the depot.
4. All samples must be skinned – we promote full utilization of Saskatchewan’s wild resources.
5. If an animal requires dispatching, avoid trauma to the head by using .22 rimfire round into the chest cavity.

NOTE: Failure to comply with these criteria may result in samples being rejected and honorariums being declined.

PROCESS

1. After skinning each animal, you may remove legs and/or the tail to minimize freezer space. Do not remove the head.
2. Place specimen in a bag suitable to completely wrap around the carcass and secure with duct tape.
3. Write your name, the type of animal, and the nearest town, RM, or WMZ on the tape using a permanent marker. Freeze samples as soon as possible.
4. Prior to transport, contact the depot via telephone to confirm:
 - a. There is availability to accept samples at that location; be respectful - remember these are volunteers!



- b. Someone is available to accept the samples. ***Do not leave samples if no one is available to process.***
5. Upon arrival, samples must be frozen and in satisfactory packaging with the required information written on each sample. Each depot has the right to decline samples if packaging is inadequate.
 6. Present your valid license for processing. Membership will be validated through the Saskatchewan Trappers Association and cheques will be mailed to you in approximately 2-4 weeks time. Payment will not be made that day.

Drop Off Locations

Location	Prince Albert	Saskatoon	Regina	Hudson Bay
Contact	Newton West (306) 921-9427	Extreme Range Outfitters (306) 380-7363	Gil White (306) 527-7762	Robert Crittenden (306) 865-3861
Animals Accepting	Mink Weasel Raccoon Lynx Marten	Mink Weasel Raccoon	Weasel Raccoon	Mink Weasel Raccoon Lynx Marten

***CALL AND COORDINATE A DATE/TIME TO DROP OFF SAMPLES
LIMITED AMOUNT OF SAMPLES ACCEPTED – FIRST COME, FIRST SERVED**