

Official Control Authority Batch Release (OCABR) *Guideline for rabies inactivated vaccines submission*

For rabies OCABR, samples of each batch to be controlled should be provided to the following address:

ANSES Nancy
Nancy Laboratory for Rabies and Wildlife
Technopôle Agricole et Vétérinaire
Domaine de Pixérécourt
BP 40 009
54220 MALZEVILLE Cedex
FRANCE

Shipping:

Samples of veterinary rabies vaccine should be sent in a refrigerated parcel, by the fastest means. Please do not send samples late in the week: Monday-Wednesday shipping is best. Insure that vials are properly protected to avoid any damage.

Samples:

All vials should be clearly labelled. The labelling must contain the name of the vaccine, and the batch number. In case of freeze-dried vaccine, rehydration buffer should be provided if possible

A copy of the manufacturer's protocol for OCABR and a submission letter should be joined to each provided batch. This letter should contain the following information:

- Name and address of the applicant
- Trade name of the vaccine
- Batch number
- Number of vials
- Expiry date
- Appearance specification of the vaccine
- Storage temperature
- Buffer and volume to be used for rehydration (in case of freeze-dried sample)

Please note that the number of samples to provide for each batch depends on the volume of each vial of rabies vaccine:

Volume of each vial	Number of sample required
≤ 2 mL	20
>2 mL	5