

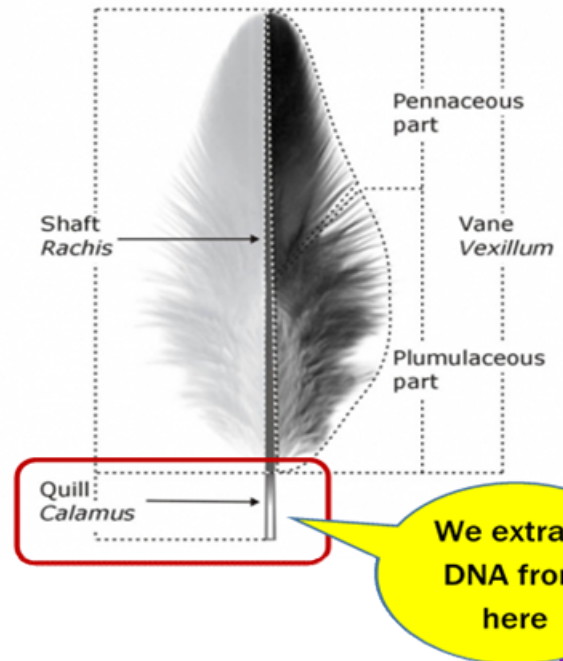


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### Instructions for taking Bird Feather Samples for sexing or PBFD screening

- (1) Feathers MUST BE PULLED from the bird, NOT picked up from the cage.
- (2) If taking samples from more than one bird, it is best to wash hands, change gloves or use an alcohol hand sanitiser between handling birds, to reduce cross-contamination.
- (4) Please pull a minimum of two feathers per bird. A sample of 2-4 feathers is sufficient.
- (5) Place feathers preferably in a paper envelope; this helps to keep the sample dry. A clean, plastic zip-lock bag or other such container is also ok to use.
- (6) Clearly label envelope with the bird's name/identifier, and the date the feathers were pulled.
- (7) Order your required testing using our online submission:  
<https://infogenenz.co.nz>
- (8) Attach Order # to samples and send to our laboratory by either:

**Post:** InfogeneNZ, 1 Workshop Road, Massey University Campus, Palmerston North 4410



**DNA is taken from the QUILL end of the feather.**  
**If the quill breaks off in the skin, we cannot use it for DNA extraction as the shaft is hollow and only the very tip has good cells that contain DNA.**

**Blood feathers contain the most/best DNA for testing, although normal feathers usually perform well.**

**If samples are mixed up, not identified**

Please note that all sample submissions MUST have an order number attached.  
 When you submit your testing order online you will receive a 5 digit order number.  
 Write this on your samples, or print out a copy of your order and include with your samples.