

Request for Sample Analysis

If you would like to submit a sample for visual and blue-green algal toxin analysis at SUNY ESF, please take one of these sheets and follow the instructions below. To avoid overwhelming the sampling crew and ensure rapid turnaround, please try and limit the number of samples to one per week.

What we need to run your sample:

1. Samples need to contain at least **500mL** (~2 cups) of water for analysis to be run.
2. Samples should be in a **plastic bottle** to prevent against breakage. We highly recommend your purchasing new drinking water bottles from the grocery store (e.g. Poland Spring 500ml bottles work just fine) and simply dumping out the water. Camping water bottles also work well but we cannot return bottle after analysis.
3. Samples should not be older than **48 hours**. We suggest collecting them on Monday or Tuesday for drop them off Tuesday afternoon. Samples older than 48hr usually give highly questionable results.
4. Complete the below information (**print clearly**) and securely attach the bottom of this form to the sample bottle. Please be sure to indicate if you want your results by email or by snail mail. Your phone number is nice if we have questions but we cannot communicate back results by telephone.

Where and when to submit your sample:

Samples should be dropped off on **Tuesday** at the Sodus Point Village Hall in the black milk crate out front. They will be picked up Wednesday morning sometime after 9:00 am during the normal sampling rotation. If you miss the Wednesday pick up, you are probably better off to collect a new sample and drop it off on the following Tuesday.

Sample results:

We will try and communicate results back by email as soon as they are available. All results are automatically shared with New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC). If you do not wish your results to be included in the Friday afternoon notification to Save-our-Sodus, please indicate that on the form. For more information, contact Samantha Weber at saweber@esf.edu.

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Sample Information:

Sample collected at (Don't assume we know local landmarks): _____

Date and time collected: _____

Additional notes/observations (bloom accumulated against dock, wind blowing strongly on-shore, etc.):

Please do not post my results on the Save Our Sodus Website

Your Contact Information:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____ Phone* (optional) _____

I prefer to be contacted either by email or US mail

*For further questions only.