

Instructions for Honey Sample Collection and Submission of Honey Samples

The following steps should be taken at three distinct times during the honey maturation process:

- **Day 1:** In the morning, place a new frame in the hive. At the end of the day, collect a sample and record the amount of time between the time was placed and sample collection.
- **Day 3 or 4:** Collect a sample from the same frame used on day 1
- **Day X:** When honey is capped, a final sample should be taken from the same frame used on day 1.

1. Obtain the following:

- Honey Sample Collection Form(s) - *note that each sample requires a separate form*
- Sample containers
- Labels or Permanent Marker

2. Fill in the information on the sampling form for each sample.
3. If possible, take pictures of the surrounding area and sampling location (Figure 1: Before).
4. **Collect sample and store in cool location until shipment.** (immature/high moisture nectar must be kept below 4°C or frozen to prevent fermentation).
5. If possible, take a picture of the frame from which the sample was collected (Figure 1: After).
6. **Label the sample with a unique identifier** – write this same identifier in the box location sampling form and in the space provided in **Section C**.
7. **Write your name and provide your signature** in the space provided at the bottom of the form.
8. **Once all samples have been collected, ship sample and sampling form to:**
True Honey Buzz
10609 McGrath Road,
Rosedale, BC, V0X 1X2
Canada



Samples should be declared as “honey samples for analysis”, and if required, valued at \$1 USD/kg.

9. **Email tracking details to lab@truehoney.buzz.** If any photos were taken during the sampling process, please name files accordingly (with the unique sample ID of the associated sample) and send to the email address mentioned previously.

Honey Sample Collection Form – Use only if not using phone app

Name of Producer: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Sample details: - fill out to the best of your knowledge

Date sample taken: _____

Kind of sample

ie (single hive/honey from single yard site/

honey from several different locations)

(extracted/ scraped directly from comb)

Hive treatments in

previous 6 months

(Apivar, Formic,

Oxy-tet, etc)

Suspected

Floral Source(s):

Area where honey

was collected

GPS if possible

Comments/Notes

The data provided here is accurate to the best of my knowledge. I agree that I provide these samples as is and hold no further claim to them*.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Print name: _____

* This release clause is required for the sample to be placed in the database