

# How to Submit Samples for Analysis

# Select an Area to Sample

The area needs to be uniform in color, texture, depth and drainage with the same fertilizing program and type of homogenization. An area with similar plants can be grouped into one sample. Areas with plants that are exhibiting unusual symptoms need to be treated as separate samples.

## **Depth of Soil Sampling**

Remove surface vegetation. For garden beds or containers, sample generally from the surface to 6 or 8 inches. For Native or clay soils sample 2 to 6 inches.

#### **How to Sample**

Use a soil probe, auger, or dig a hole with a trowel and scrape the edge of the hole to remove a sample. Tools need to be clean and not rusty. Avoid sampling when the soil is too wet or too dry.

For a small area or individual plant, obtain at least two or three samples (approx. 1 cup per sample) from different locations.

For larger areas, garden beds, or multiple containers, at least 5 samples should be obtained, homogenized and then subsampled for analysis.

Place 2 cups into a zip lock plastic bag. Clearly label with the sample name & online order number on the outside of the bag.

## **How to Ship**

Clearly label sample with sample name and online order number on the outside of the container and place in a suitable mailer. It is best if we receive the sample within 3 days.

### USPS, Fed Ex or UPS shipping address:

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