

571—115.9(81GA,SF206) Chronic wasting disease testing.

115.9(1) *Testing required.* A person who keeps whitetail under this chapter shall have chronic wasting disease tests performed on the following:

a. Any whitetail that dies or is killed on the premises. A person trained and authorized shall collect the test sample and shall submit the sample for testing at an approved laboratory. This paragraph does not apply to whitetail less than six months old.

b. Any whitetail that is shipped to slaughter from the herd premises. A person trained and authorized shall collect the test sample after the whitetail is slaughtered and shall submit the sample for testing at an approved laboratory. This paragraph does not apply to whitetail less than six months old.

c. Testing under this subrule shall not qualify the herd for certification in the chronic wasting disease program administered by the department of agriculture and land stewardship. No live animals will be allowed to leave the hunting preserves.

115.9(2) *Collecting test samples.* One of the following persons shall collect a test sample and submit it for testing:

a. A certified veterinarian.

b. An employee of the department authorized by the department.

c. A person approved by the department. Before a person collects a test sample, that person shall complete training approved by the department. The person shall comply with standard veterinary procedures when collecting a test sample.

115.9(3) *Reporting disease findings.* Whenever any person receives a laboratory test result for chronic wasting disease, that person shall immediately report that result to the department. The person shall report by telephone, fax or other rapid means within one day after receiving the test result and shall report in writing within ten days. The person shall provide a copy of the test result to the owner of the tested whitetail. This reporting requirement applies to any laboratory test result for chronic wasting disease. Telephone and fax reports should be made to the following numbers: telephone (515)281-6156 or fax (515)281-6794. Written reports should be sent to Iowa Department of Natural Resources, 502 E. 9th Street, Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0034, Attn: Wildlife Bureau.