

Canadian Alfalfa Seed Council



Canadian Cocoon Testing Centre
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Dear Leafcutter Bee Producer,

The Cocoon Testing Centre will be open from **November 15, 2011** to **April 27, 2012**. During **March** and **April** the centre will be **CLOSED on Mondays**. **The centre will also be closed on Dec.23/11 at noon and will be reopened Jan.3/12.**

The office will be open Monday to Friday from 9:00a.m.to 12:00 & 1:00 to 3:00p.m.
Please call before dropping a sample off at the office.

*X-Ray Analysis: live count, parasites, machine damage, chalkbrood, etc.

$\$47.62 + \$2.38(\text{GST}) = \$50.00$

*Sex Ratio: includes an x-ray analysis & female count, allow 4-6 weeks.

$\$95.24 + \$4.76(\text{GST}) = \$100.00$

*Chalkbrood Test ONLY: 50g. sample, cut open, & examined.

$\$25.00 + \$1.25(\text{GST}) = \$26.25$

Please include payment with samples and all phone and fax numbers.

The procedure will be as follows:

- Sample size required is 100 grams (about 2 cups) per test, taken from a well-mixed batch of bees.
- **Cheques made payable to Canadian Alfalfa Seed Council.**
- Samples will not be processed until payment is received.
- **NEW POLICY**: Samples are done on a first come first serve basis. Out of rotation samples will be done at double the cost. When required, a third of the day will be scheduled for regular testing and the other two thirds for out of rotation samples. Please call the centre before sending an out of rotation sample.
- All samples requiring sex ratio tests must be received before March 23/12.
- Sex ratio tests cannot be done separately; an x-ray must be done before a sex ratio test can be completed.
- Results will be sent by mail, unless otherwise requested.

Very
Important

Sincerely,

Jan Lepp
Technician