

Instructions for DNA sexing:

1. Identification of samples



Coinciding with your online order you will receive via email an invoice and shipment form with the relevant data of your samples and the analyses are requested.

Please write legibly the item number (Pos.-No.) indicated on the shipment form for each feather sample on the sample bags, alternatively you can use the sample bags labeled with the corresponding ring number of the bird.

2. What feathers are needed?



From larger birds (e.g. grey parrots, cockatoos, etc.) two to three breast feathers are sufficient, from smaller birds (e.g. lovebirds, finches etc.) we need two medium-sized flight feathers. Adheres blood to the feather quill is a single feather sufficient.

Important: The feathers must be freshly plucked, lost feathers or even feathers plucked by the bird itself are unsuitable for analysis.

3. Shipment of Feathers



Please send the samples + shipment form to:

Tauros Diagnostik GbR
Niederwall 5
D-33602 Bielefeld
Germany

Important: A processing of the samples is only possible with the attached shipment form.

4. Result Notification



Within 2-3 days after receiving your mail a notification will be emailed, stating that your results are available as a PDF document for self-printing.

All previously performed DNA analyses will continuously be available as PDF documents in your archive.

5. Quality and Safety

The sex of a bird is determined in our laboratory by two independently conducted DNA analyses. Only when the results are congruent, the sex will be documented in a certificate. For a few species, unfortunately only one diagnostic is available.