Urban and Homeowner
Soil Sample Information Form
TEXAS AGRILIFE EXTENSION SERVICE
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM
Soil, Water and Forage Testing Laboratory

See sampling procedures and mailing instructions on the back of this form. (PLEASE DO NOT SEND CASH)

SUBMITTED BY: Results will be mailed to this address ONLY
Name ___________________________ County where sampled _______________________
Address ___________________________ Phone ___________________________
City ___________________________ State ______ Zip __________

A current original version of this form can be downloaded from the laboratory’s website at soiltesting.tamu.edu

Tell us about your soil samples

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<th>Laboratory #</th>
<th>My Sample ID</th>
<th>Square feet of sampled area</th>
<th>Last Time Fertilized</th>
<th>I previously used fertilizers/organics</th>
<th>I am growing (see below)*</th>
<th>Requested Analysis Test</th>
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<td>5 lbs of 21-0-0 per 1000 sqft</td>
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Annuals, Flowers and Gardens
A. Azaleas and Camellias
B. Roses
C. Annuals
D. Vegetable Garden
E. Other

Turfgrass
F. Common Bermuda grass
G. Hybrid Bermuda grass
H. St. Augustine grass
I. Centipede grass
J. Buffalo grass
K. Tall Fescue
L. Kentucky Bluegrass

Trees and Woody Ornamentals
M. Pecan trees
N. Fruit trees
O. Shrubs and Ornamentals
P. Shade trees
Q. Other trees

* Select the letter representing your planting and enter above under “I am growing”.

Describe any specific problems you have observed or want to correct:

Choose one analysis group per sample (check boxes under Requested Analysis Test above)

1. Routine (R) __________________________________________$10 per sample
   (pH, NO₃, P, K, Ca, Mg, Na, S, and Conductivity)
2. R + Micronutrients (Micro) __________________________$15 per sample
   (routine analysis plus Zn, Fe, Cu, and Mn)
3. R + Organic Matter ________________________________$20 per sample
4. R + Micronutrients + Organic Matter __________________$25 per sample

Amount Paid $ __________________________
Make Checks Payable to: Soil Testing Laboratory
TAKING A SOIL SAMPLE FOR FERTILIZER RECOMMENDATIONS

Where to sample

- A soil sample should represent a given area of your lawn or garden that is treated or used similarly (for example, front yard, back yard, planting bed, garden and etc.).
- Sample areas separately if you observe distinct differences in slope, soil texture (for example sandy areas versus clayey) or water drainage.

Collecting a soil sample

- Using a trowel or similar tool, scrape away any non-decomposed plant tissue and materials.
- Next, cut a core or divot 6 inches deep into the soil and place soil in a clean plastic container. Repeat this step 8 to 10 times in the lawn or garden which is being considered for testing.
- Mix all collected soil thoroughly, removing any roots or other visible plant materials and place 2-3 cups of soil in a quart-sized re-sealable plastic bag. Air-dry soil if sample feels wet to the touch.
- Label the bag with a permanent marker, using the sample sample ID as listed on the front of this form.

Mailing your soil sample

- Complete the information form on the front page (this information is required for you to receive fertilizer recommendations that are based on your soil test results). Incomplete information (e.g., lack of name, address, crop information and etc.) may result in delay of testing or receipt of results.
- Please include payment with the sample. Please note that the price is per sample. Send check or money order made out to Soil Testing Laboratory. DO NOT SEND CASH. For credit card payment, complete form below.
- Place the plastic sample bag, completed submittal form, and your check or money order for the appropriate fees in a box or padded envelope and send to:
  Soil, Water and Forage Testing Laboratory
  2474 TAMU
  345 Heep Center
  College Station, TX 77843-2474

  For further information please contact:
  Your local Texas AgriLife Extension Service County Office
  or
  Soil, Water and Forage Testing Laboratory
  Phone: 979-845-4816

CREDIT CARD AUTHORIZATION FORM

Payment by credit card must be completed by filling out below or contacting our office by phone for each transaction. Indicate the type of card being used, CARDHOLDER name, address & zip code; credit card #, expiration date, 3 digit security code on back of card, amount and invoice numbers being paid. ALL areas below are required to process this payment (exceptions would be Amount and Invoice #’s if you have not yet had a new invoice generated and are sending this in with a new sample(s). Please provide a daytime phone #.

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