

## DNA Schedule

When planning your DNA testing being done at the Canadian lab there are several very important things to remember:

1. During the busiest time for registrations, there is still only one testing day for each month – usually the first week of the month. The lab cannot guarantee an exact day.
2. It takes 10 - 14 working days to receive results.
3. During the slower times testing is **not** done monthly.
4. Samples are tested in batches. If a sample is not received at the CLAA office on any of the following deadline dates, it will have to be held until the next scheduled testing.

Following are the deadline dates to have samples at the CLAA office. We have included expected dates for the results, but these are not guaranteed.

January 30 (week of February 23)

February 27 (week of March 23)

March 27 (week of April 20)

\*June 30 - Samples received in April, May will be held until June 30 (week of July 20)

\*September 11 – Samples received in July and August will be held until mid-September (week of October 10)

October 30 (week of November 23)

November 27 (week of December 21)

December 31 (week of January 25)

**There are no deadlines for breeders using foreign DNA parent verification reports to register their alpacas with the CLAA.** But, please remember the DNA report must be legible and it must provide the animal's DNA case number, as well as the qualified dam and sire – just the markers/panels are not acceptable. Please also remember to send a copy of its foreign certificate with the CLAA application for registration. If you require an example of what the acceptable DNA form looks like, please contact the office by email.

There is an \$8 fee (plus applicable tax) for manual data entry of these foreign profiles. Unlike the CLRC system, the new program will be recording these foreign genotypes so it is very important that the forms are legible.