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## Insect Diagnostics

### Submitting Specimens:

1. Place all specimens in sturdy plastic containers with tight fitting lids that are strong enough to survive mail or courier services. Hard-bodied specimens can be sent to us alive. Aphids, mites, spiders, small flies and larvae need to be sent in the containers with rubbing alcohol or a 50:50 dilution of water and anti-freeze (ethylene glycol). Caterpillars should be flash boiled and then placed in rubbing alcohol.
2. Submit specimens with a completely filled out form (found on the right navigation bar of this page). Extension Agents: please use the Plant Diagnostic Information System ([www.pdis.org/](http://www.pdis.org/)) to submit specimen information and remember to send the specimen with a print out of the sample summary. Please read the directions ([diagnostics.montana.edu/electronic.pdf](http://diagnostics.montana.edu/electronic.pdf)) for PDIS submission and/or watch the video ([diagnostics.montana.edu/GPDN/Tutorials/PDIS\\_SubmitSample.wmv](http://diagnostics.montana.edu/GPDN/Tutorials/PDIS_SubmitSample.wmv))
3. Send specimens to:

**Schutter Diagnostic Lab-Insect**  
 Montana State University  
 121 Plant BioScience  
 P.O. Box 173150  
 Bozeman, Mt 59717-3150

**P.S. To see a list of pests submitted for a county go to:**  
[scarab.msu.montana.edu:8080/diag/search\\_form](http://scarab.msu.montana.edu:8080/diag/search_form).



### Forms:

Cropland Pest  
 ([diagnostics.montana.edu/Forms/CroplandPest.pdf](http://diagnostics.montana.edu/Forms/CroplandPest.pdf))

Museum IPM  
 ([diagnostics.montana.edu/Forms/MuseumPest.pdf](http://diagnostics.montana.edu/Forms/MuseumPest.pdf))

Residence Insect  
 ([diagnostics.montana.edu/Forms/ResidencePest.pdf](http://diagnostics.montana.edu/Forms/ResidencePest.pdf))

Spider  
 ([diagnostics.montana.edu/Forms/Spider.pdf](http://diagnostics.montana.edu/Forms/Spider.pdf))

Structural Insect  
 ([diagnostics.montana.edu/Forms/StructuralPest.pdf](http://diagnostics.montana.edu/Forms/StructuralPest.pdf))

Turf Pest  
 ([diagnostics.montana.edu/Forms/TurfPest.pdf](http://diagnostics.montana.edu/Forms/TurfPest.pdf))

Yard & Garden Pest  
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