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Effectively relaying gross necropsy findings and pertinent clinical history is often vital to a successful diagnostic investigation. This document is intended to provide a template for veterinarians to submit written descriptions of gross findings observed during a field necropsy to help diagnosticians prioritize testing in a time efficient and cost-effective manner.

Date	Species/Breed/Sex/Age of animal (estimate if needed)
Estimated time between death and necropsy	Individual and/or herd health history
<u>Post-mortem condition</u>	
<u>Gross Findings</u>	
Integument	
Respiratory tract	
Alimentary tract	
Cardiovascular system	
Musculoskeletal system	

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Lymphoid organs (spleen, lymph nodes, thymus, palatine tonsils, bone marrow)
Urinary and reproductive system
Endocrine organs
Nervous system (CNS, PNS, eyes)
<u>Differentials based on gross findings</u>
<u>Tissue samples collected</u>
Fresh
Fixed
<u>Additional Comments</u>

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