## **Swab Collection Instructions**

for VetNostic Laboratories®





1. Open the swab sleeve specific for the animal being tested (Peel back no more than halfway).



2. Using one swab at a time, twirl, while rubbing firmly, against the dog's inner cheek for approximately 15 seconds. Choose a different area of the inner cheek for the remaining two swabs.



3. Let the three swabs air dry for at least 10 minutes. DO NOT BLOW ON THE SWAB.



4. Place all three swabs back into their original packaging sleeve, then seal the sleeve with tape or a staple. The seal should NOT be air tight.



5. If the dog's information was not previously entered, or if changes need to be made, fill out the label on the packaging sleeve.



6. Place the swabs inside of the provided plastic baggie. The baggie's seal should be closed just enough to secure the swabs inside. It should NOT be air tight.



7. Place the baggie containing the swabs into the provided self-addressed stamped envelope and mail.

Do Not swab for at least 30 minutes after eating.

Do Not swab nursing puppies, they will have the cells of the mother in their mouth.