

**Mailing Address (please print)**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ FL, Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email\* \_\_\_\_\_

\*Please provide an email address to receive your results faster.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

(signature only required for UF personnel for approval of chartfield charges)

**UF/IFAS Analytical Services Laboratories  
Extension Soil Testing Laboratory**

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**COMMERCIAL SOD TEST FORM**

**Note: This lab only tests samples from Florida.**

Direct any questions about this test or the interpretation of the results to your county UF/IFAS Extension agent.

**Fill in all requested information, using one line per sample. Use additional forms for more than 7 samples.**

Lab Use only	Sample ID	County*	Acreage	Test(s) requested	Grass species**	Soil type (Circle one)		Cost
						Muck	Mineral	
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\*County: Please provide a county for proper recommendations.

\*\*Grass Species: Bermuda - 100, St. Augustine/Zoysia - 101, Paspalum - 102, Centipede - 103, Bahia - 104

Check  Money Order  Cash  Total \_\_\_\_\_

**Please enclose payment and this sheet in the same package as sample(s).**

Please make checks and money orders payable to **UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA**.

Samples will not be processed without payment. Do not send cash through the mail.

**Important Information for Soil Sample Collection and Submission**

**Before Sampling**

1. A sampling program is most effective if it is done annually.
2. Soil sample bags, addressed shipping boxes, and test forms are available for free from your county UF/IFAS Extension office. Obtain the materials you need before you complete your sampling.

**Collecting Samples**

1. In Florida, soil samples should be collected at the end of the summer rainy season (August–October) before fertilizing in the fall.
2. Sample from soil surface to depth of tillage, usually 0–6 inches.
3. Collect soil from 20 or more spots in each area, mixing these samples in a clean plastic bucket.
4. Spread the composited material on clean paper or other suitable material to air-dry. Do not send wet samples.
5. Mix the dry soil, and place about 1 pint of soil in a labeled sample bag.

**Sending Samples to the Extension Soil Testing Laboratory**

1. Enter each sample's ID number on its sample bag and in the Sample ID column. List each sample separately.
2. Lime and fertilizer recommendations are provided only if the species code is listed.
3. Include the Test Code for each desired test (see the box below). Enter the Test Cost from the list found on the bottom of this form.
4. Sum the costs of all samples and tests. Make the check or money order payable to: **University of Florida**. Checks written to other names will NOT be honored and will be returned, causing a delay in processing the samples.
5. Include the completed Commercial Sod Test Form and the check or money order in the shipping box with the sample(s).

**Test Results**

A soil test report will be emailed/mailed to you in 5–10 days after your sample arrives at the Extension Soil Testing Laboratory. Contact your county UF/IFAS Extension office if you have questions about the test report.

Test Code	Test Name	Determinations Made	Test Cost
1	Standard Soil Test	pH, P, K, Ca, and Mg	\$7
2	pH and Lime Requirement	pH and lime requirement	\$3
3	Micronutrient Test	Cu, Mn, Zn	\$5
4	Organic Matter	percent organic matter	\$10
5	Electrical Conductivity (soluble salts)	conductivity in 1:2 soil:water	\$2