



» Collecting a badger carcass

Before handling the carcass

You will need: the badger submission form, disposable gloves and one red heavy-duty bag

- Put on the disposable gloves (provided in collection kit) which **must be worn at all times** when handling a badger carcass. Do not put your hands near your mouth.
- Confirm that the animal is dead and assess suitability (see guidance on carcass suitability and collection)
- If suitable, fill out the badger submission form and place the completed form inside the clear plastic sealable bag.
- Take the red heavy-duty bag and roll it down three quarters of the way. It may be helpful to have some red heavy-duty bags rolled down in your vehicle, ready for collection.

Collecting the carcass

You will need: the white cable tie, 2 x black cable ties, 2 x red heavy-duty bags and the Exempt Animal Specimen label.

Apart from picking up a carcass and placing it in the bag, all other tasks should be carried out at a safer location and not on the road.

- Only when safe to do so, collect the carcass and place it carefully inside the bag you have already rolled down.
- Move to a safer area if necessary and roll the bag upwards. **Do not** push air out of the top of the bag and into your face.
- The bag should be closed using the 'goose neck' method and the twisted end loop secured with a black cable tie at the base of the twist (as shown above).
- This first bag should be then be placed inside a second red heavy-duty bag.
- Place the completed badger submission form inside the clear plastic bag, originally used to contain the kit.
- Place the clear plastic bag containing the completed form and used disposable gloves, inside the second bag.
- Take the **numbered white cable tie** and tie the second red heavy-duty bag. Please make sure the number is visible on the outside of the cable tie.
- Make a note of this cable tie number as this will be required for making a claim for contribution towards expenses.
- Carcasses must be triple bagged for collection by courier. Your kit will contain a third red heavy-duty bag and black cable tie for this purpose. Please handle and tie this bag without using the disposable gloves, to minimise any contamination of the third bag.
- Please close the third bag by the gooseneck method.
- Label the third red heavy-duty bag with the 'Exempt Animal Specimen' label.