

Harvard Forest Sample Archive Submission Form

Date Request:
Primary Contact Name
Primary Contact Affiliation
Principal Investigator on Project (name and email)
Contact Email:
Contact Phone:
Project Personnel (other folks who can access samples without your permission)
I have submitted all supporting data and metadata to the electronic archives? Yes No
If no, we cannot accept materials into the sample archives until the above is completed.
Project ID (ID associated with online electronic data archives):
Storage Requirements: (i.e. cold storage, dry storage)
Will you material fit in one of these standard box sizes (## x ## x ##) Yes No
If no? What size would you require?
When can samples be disposed (MM/YYYY) – if no date entered, we will re-visit in 5 years?
Are there any special disposal requirements?
Study Site(s)
Description of Samples: (Date of collection, sample type, etc): Full inventory – can attach spreadsheet
Keywords (for search)
Harvard Forest Archive Administration Only Archivist
Date of receipt of materials
Harvard Forest Sample Archive ID
Sample Archive Location

Harvard Forest Sample Archive Policy

Submission of Samples:

- Samples will be accepted from HF affiliated researchers only who have submitted supporting data and metadata.
- Submissions must be received within one year of project completion.
- Storage requirements (i.e. cold storage, dry storage) must be determined at time of submission
- Standard box sizes and labeling locations should be used with all items. Exceptions to this policy must go through the archivist for approval.
- Length of storage must be determined at time of submission and/or revisited every 5 years
- Electronic connection to data and/or document archives databases
- Disposal of materials will be coordinated with original investigators if not determined at time of submission or by HF staff if investigator is no longer available.
- HF has the right to refuse submission due to space limitations or non-mission critical materials
- Materials that we cannot dispose of later due to known hazardous waste will be NOT be accepted
- Special disposal requirements must be identified at time of submission
- In some cases, a fee may be charged for storage containers, assistance and/or sampling.

Use of Samples:

- Use of samples by anyone other than project personnel must be approved in writing by the project PI (Principal Investigator) or the Director
- Once permission has been granted. Project PI will provide oversight with regards to amounts of materials, # of samples, etc...
- A fee may be charged for staff time to provide samples and help with extraction of materials.
- A recording of use will remain with the record