



QML VETNOSTICS – WHAT’S NEW IN 2010

As our current price list illustrates, our prices are already extremely competitive, however; **from February 1st 2010**, the tests listed in the table below will be offered at a **significantly reduced price when they are requested together with ANY of the profiles listed under the Pathology Profiles section** of the request form.

TEST	REDUCED PRICE (Exc. GST)	NORMAL PRICE (Exc. GST)
Total T4	\$17.00	\$34.00
Urinalysis	\$17.00	\$27.50
Urinalysis + Urine Culture	\$36.00	\$52.50
FIV & FeLV	\$44.00	\$63.00

- You do not need to do anything different - simply tick the required pathology profile box in the Profile section together with the relevant test box in the Microbiology and/or Serology sections on the request form. The tests listed above will be automatically charged at this reduced price.
- This reduced price will also apply for any of these tests that are ‘added on’ to an initial pathology profile performed.

A copy of our current price list (effective September 2009) has also been sent out with this promotional flyer. When applying these price reductions, some examples applying this new pricing schedule are illustrated below:

TESTS INCLUDED	COST (Exc. GST)
Complete haematology, biochemistry (VBA) & Total T4	\$92.00
Complete haematology, biochemistry (VBA) & Urinalysis	\$92.00
Complete haematology, biochemistry (VBA), Urinalysis & Urine Culture	\$111.00
Complete haematology, biochemistry (VBA), FIV & FeLV	\$119.00
Complete haematology, biochemistry (VBA), Urinalysis, Urine Culture & Total T4	\$128.00
Complete haematology, biochemistry (VBA), Total T4, FIV & FeLV	\$136.00

We feel that this will allow QML Vetnostics to offer veterinarians the option to perform more comprehensive testing on those patients that may have vague clinical signs, whilst also minimising the cost of ‘adding on’ these tests based on results obtained via initial haematology and biochemistry.



MAX-ACT™ Clotting Tubes

In-house Activated Clotting Times

The unavailability of the siliceous earth Vacutainer tubes to carry out this in-house test has led to a collaborative study between Angela See from Murdoch University Veterinary Hospital and Vetnostics to validate the Max-ACT™ tubes. The procedure and results for this study have been published in The Australian Veterinary Journal (See et al., AVJ. 2009; 87(7): 292-295).

Sampling:

0.5 ml blood is required by atraumatic collection: jugular venipuncture is necessary for all cats and dogs weighing <10kg.

Reference Range and Interpretation of Results:

To date, there are no studies assessing the sensitivity or specificity of this test in sick animals. However, preliminary clinical observations suggest it is a useful tool in detecting coagulopathies.

When the test is performed as per the published methodology, the mean MAX-ACT™ for normal cats is 66 sec (range of 55 - 85 sec). The mean MAX-ACT for normal dogs is 71 sec (range of 55 - 80 sec).

In both dogs and cats a MAX-ACT result > 85 sec should be regarded as abnormal and further coagulation testing (e.g. clotting times/coagulation profile) would be recommended.

Availability and Cost

These tubes are available to purchase via QML Vetnostics:

Cost: \$6.48* + GST / tube, sold as packs of 10 tubes.

To order, please contact Sandra Rolls on (07) 3121 4945 or sandra.rolls@qml.com.au.

*Prices correct at time of print