

Edible Birdnest Testing

Edible birdnest (EBN) is swiftlet nest constructed from the saliva of male swiftlets. EBN is used in Chinese cooking and is believed to have nutritional properties which provide health benefits such as aiding digestion and improving the immune system.



To export EBN, EBN processor must obtain the following documents from Department of Veterinary Services (DVS) for each consignment:

- Health certificate
- Certificate of origin
- Export permit

Why choose VFAD?

VFAD provides quality diagnostic testing required for the export of EBN. We are a SMM accredited laboratory with proven capability and competence in the field of diagnostic testing. Tests are conducted by competent personnel under stringent QA/QC conditions.



EBN Tests:

The following tests are required for export of EBN [as stated in Malaysian Standard 2333:2010 Good Manufacturing Practice (GMP) for Processing Raw-Unclean and Raw-Clean Edible Birdnest (EBN) 2010]. Our tests are SMM accredited and recognized by the Ministry of Health and Department of Veterinary Services.

- *Salmonella* spp.
- Standard plate count
- Coliform count
- *E. coli* count
- Total yeast and mould count
- Coagulase-positive staphylococci count



Guidelines to sending specimens:

- Send 40-50 g of pure EBN specimen in clean and dry plastic bags/containers
- Fill up specimen submission form and state relevant details (Specimen submission form and guides are available at: www.vfad.com.my/download)
- Specimen can be sent to us during office hours from Monday to Friday 8.30 am to 5.15 pm
- The turnaround time (TAT) for all tests is seven (7) working days
- Lab results are available online at VRS Online™ : www.vfad.com.my/vrsonline

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