

## Nova Scotia Health - Central Zone

### Department of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine

### Anatomical Pathology

#### TURNAROUND TIMES

KEY: m-minutes h-hours d-days

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From Time of Accessioning to Reporting						
Order Priority			*STAT	Urgent	Priority Large	Routine
Division	Sub-Division	Procedure				
Anatomical Pathology	Surgical Pathology	Frozen section	20 m			
Anatomical Pathology	Surgical Pathology	Tissue sample	8-24 h	3-5 d	<10 d	<15 d
	Cytopathology	Non-gyne	8-24 h			3 d
	Cytopathology	Gyne	8-24 h			<15 d
	Cytopathology	Male fertility				5 d
	Autopsy Pathology	Preliminary report				3 d
	Autopsy Pathology	Final report				<40 d

**Notes:**

- \*1. For critical results, contact pathologist or Anatomical Pathology main office directly at (902) 473-7706 to process STAT.
- \*2. Transplant or medical biopsies of heart, kidney, liver and lung are also processed as STAT.
3. Turnaround times may vary with fixation requirements, processing time and case complexity.
4. Turnaround times are in working days.