

## CCCA OFFICIAL DNA TESTING PROTOCOL.

**This protocol must be followed if you wish to have your results logged officially against your cat's registration.**

These protocols should be followed when conducting any DNA testing.

Only the original Laboratory certificate will be accepted for the results to be included on any data base.

### **Collection Protocol Steps**

- Contact a DNA Testing Laboratory and obtain a test kit and submission forms.
  - Select a veterinary surgery to conduct the test.
  - Ensure cat/ kitten is micro chipped. If not, it must be done prior to the DNA swab.
  - Take the cat/kitten, testing kits and any other necessary paperwork to the Veterinarian.
  - The vet will scan the microchip; record the number on the paperwork- including registered name and number. The vet will perform all tasks as requested on paperwork – including signing and dating.
  - The DNA sample will be collected by the vet to ensure there is no contamination of the swab.
  - The swab should be allowed to dry in a non contaminated area.
1. Once dry, the swab is packaged by the vet, sealed and posted from the Collection point (*not given back to the owner*).