Choose several (3 to 5) symptomatic plants. You can also include a healthy plant for reference. Wrap the root ball and soil in cellophane or a plastic bag.

Place each plant in a plastic “ziplock”-type bag and close it.

Write on the bag the name of the plant and the name of the person or business that is sending the sample.
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Place one or more bagged plants in a second “ziplock”-type bag and close it.

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Fill out the “Sample Submission Form”, indicating the species and variety of plant, the symptoms observed, the percent of plants that are affected, and the pesticides that have been applied.

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Place the samples and the submission form in a rigid cardboard carton.
Seal the open edges of the box with packing tape.

Send sample as soon as possible to:

Plant Disease and Insect Clinic  
North Carolina State University  
Campus Box 7211  
1227 Gardner Hall  
100 Deryeuex Place  
Raleigh, NC 27695-7211  
Tel: 919-515-3619

It is recommended that you use an overnight delivery service to send samples. Sending samples on a Friday is not recommended, because they will be in transit all weekend. IMPORTANT: All samples that arrive after 1:00pm will be examined on the next business day.

Thank you for following these protocols. They are those specified in the permit we have for receiving samples from outside the state of North Carolina.