

SALES LEAFLET 2011

Proficiency Testing Scheme for the Microbiological Examination of Meat and Seafood Products

The SENATE Microbiology Proficiency Testing Scheme for the Microbiological Examination of Meat and Seafood Products offers testing laboratories a comprehensive scheme, that has been developed specifically to enable participating laboratories to satisfy the requirements of ISO 17025: General Requirements for the Competency of Testing and Calibration Laboratories.

Test materials are provided in a freeze-dried **MEAT** or **SEAFOOD** matrix and are presented as a 1 x 10g (equivalent) for quantitative assessments or a 1 x 25g (equivalent) for qualitative examinations. Campylobacter is provided as a 25g fresh chicken sample. The test materials are designed for incorporation directly into the routine workload.

Included in each Scheme despatch are the Test Material, Analysis Request Form (ARF), Instruction Sheet and a Safety Data Sheet.

Assigned Values Reports are issued 5 days after the Closing Date.
Summary Reports are issued four weeks after the Closing Date.

The SENATE Schemes offer Participants a unique range of benefits;

- ❖ **Independence:** enables laboratories to satisfy the provisions of accreditation bodies, by participating in an independent external Proficiency Testing scheme.
- ❖ **Reliability:** high quality, dependable test materials gives credibility to participants results
- ❖ **Convenience:** test materials designed to be incorporated directly in to the routine workload with the minimum of effort
- ❖ **Challenging:** test materials simulate "real" food samples using micro-organisms routinely encountered in foods at realistic levels of contamination
- ❖ **Trend Analysis:** satisfies the requisites of ISO 17025 by providing customised trend analysis charts
- ❖ **Fixed Target Standard Deviations:** Laboratory can directly compare Z-scores achieved over several months.
- ❖ **Language:** documentation is provided in a range of languages
- ❖ **Technical support:** expert help and assistance available to all Participants

How to Order

1. Please tick the Test Materials that you would like to receive in 2011 on the attached Schedule.
2. Complete the contact details as requested below and e-mail your completed order to kristan.newbold@biosenate.com or fax on +44 (0)161 764 5021

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Ref. No.	Target Organism	Format	17 th Jan	31 st Jan	28 th Feb	25 th Apr	30 th May	26 th Sept	24 th Oct	28 th Nov
M1-01	Total Aerobic Mesophilic Count @ 30°C, Enumeration of Enterobacteriaceae, Coliforms, <i>Escherichia coli</i> , Enterococci and Lactic Acid Bacteria	10g (equiv) Meat								
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M1-02	Detection of <i>Salmonella</i> spp.	25g (equiv) Meat								
		25g (equiv) Seafood								
M1-03	Detection of <i>Listeria</i> spp. and <i>L. monocytogenes</i>	25g (equiv) Meat								
		25g (equiv) Seafood								
M1-04	Detection of <i>Escherichia coli</i> O157:H7 (VT -	25g (equiv) Meat								
M1-05	Detection of <i>Campylobacter</i> spp.	25g Fresh Chicken								
M1-06	Enumeration of <i>Bacillus cereus</i> , <i>Pseudomonas</i> spp., <i>Clostridium perfringens</i> , coagulase-positive staphylococci and Yeast and Mould	10g (equiv) Meat								
		10g (equiv) Seafood								
M1-07	Detection of <i>Yersinia</i> spp./ <i>Y. enterocolitica</i>	25g (equiv) Meat								
M1-08	Detection of <i>Vibrio</i> spp./ <i>V. parahaemolyticus</i>	25g (equiv) Seafood								
M1-09	Detection of <i>Vibrio cholerae</i> (Non O1)	25g (equiv) Seafood								
M1-10	Enumeration of <i>L. monocytogenes</i>	10g (equiv) Meat								
		10g (equiv) Seafood								

Notes:

1. The table indicates the despatch dates (date and month) for each test material with the matrix and the associated test material reference numbers.
2. Shaded areas indicate that a material is NOT AVAILABLE in this month

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Despatch Date Of Test Materials	17 th Jan	31 st Jan	28 th Feb	25 th Apr	30 th May	26 th Sept	24 th Oct	28 th Nov
Last Order date For Month	10 th Jan	24 th Jan	21 st Feb	18 th Apr	23 rd May	19 th Sep	17 th Oct	21 st Nov
Last Test Date for Test Material	28 th Jan	11 th Feb	11 th Mar	6 th May	10 th Jun	7 th Oct	4 th Nov	9 th Dec
Closing Date/ Return of ARF's	7 th Feb	21 st Feb	21 st Mar	16 th May	20 th Jun	17 th Oct	14 th Nov	19 th Dec
Issue of Assigned Values Report	11 th Feb	25 th Feb	25 th Mar	20 th May	24 th Jun	21 st Oct	18 th Nov	23 rd Dec
Issue of Summary Report	11 th Mar	25 th Mar	22 nd Apr	17 th Jun	22 nd July	18 th Nov	16 th Dec	20 th Jan 2012

PARTICIPANT DETAILS

Enter Lab ID no. (Existing participants ONLY): -----

Contact Name:

Company Name/ Address:

Tel:
Fax:
email:

Language (circle as appropriate): English French Italian German Spanish Polish