



# **HPA EQA Schedules: 1 April 2011 to 31 March 2012**

## **HPA Food and Water Microbiology External Quality Assessment Schemes**



**Please contact us if you do not receive your samples within seven days of the listed dispatch dates**

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## STANDARD SCHEME

Sample schedule for 1 April 2011 to 31 March 2012

Distribution number	Sample numbers	Dispatch date	Date results due by	Examinations required
220	S0477 S0478	11/04/2011	20/05/2011	Presumptive <i>B.cereus</i> enumeration <i>C.perfringens</i> enumeration <i>Listeria</i> spp. detection Aerobic colony count <i>E.coli</i> enumeration
222	S0481 S0482	27/06/2011	05/08/2011	<i>Campylobacter</i> detection <i>E.coli</i> O157 detection <i>Salmonella</i> detection Aerobic colony count Enterobacteriaceae enumeration
224	S0485 S0486	05/09/2011	14/10/2011	Coagulase-positive staphylococci enumeration <i>L.monocytogenes</i> enumeration <i>Salmonella</i> detection Aerobic colony count Coliform enumeration
226	S0489 S0490	24/10/2011	02/12/2011	Presumptive <i>B.cereus</i> enumeration Coagulase-positive staphylococci enumeration <i>C.perfringens</i> enumeration Aerobic colony count <i>E.coli</i> enumeration
228	S0493 S0494	09/01/2012	17/02/2012	<i>Campylobacter</i> detection <i>E.coli</i> O157 detection <i>Salmonella</i> detection Aerobic colony count Enterobacteriaceae enumeration
230	S0497 S0498	20/02/2012	30/03/2012	Presumptive <i>B.cereus</i> enumeration Coagulase-positive staphylococci enumeration <i>Listeria monocytogenes</i> enumeration Aerobic colony count Coliform enumeration

## EXTENDED SCHEME

Sample schedule for 1 April 2011 to 31 March 2012

Distribution number	Sample numbers	Dispatch date	Date results due by	Examinations required
219	E0479 E0480	11/04/2011	20/05/2011	Relevant micro-organisms Aerobic colony count <i>E.coli</i> enumeration
221	E0483 E0484	27/06/2011	05/08/2011	Relevant micro-organisms Aerobic colony count Enterobacteriaceae enumeration
223	E0487 E0488	05/09/2011	14/10/2011	Relevant micro-organisms including <i>Vibrio parahaemolyticus</i> Aerobic colony count Enterobacteriaceae enumeration
225	E0491 E0492	24/10/2011	02/12/2011	Relevant micro-organisms Aerobic colony count <i>E.coli</i> enumeration
227	E0495 E0496	09/01/2012	17/02/2012	Relevant micro-organisms including <i>Yersinia</i> spp. Aerobic colony count Enterobacteriaceae enumeration
229	E0499 E0500	20/02/2012	30/03/2012	Relevant micro-organisms Aerobic colony count <i>E.coli</i> enumeration

## FOOD LAW SCHEME

Sample schedule for 1 April 2011 to 31 March 2012

Distribution number	Sample numbers	Dispatch date	Date results due by	Examinations required
FL17	FL049 FL050 FL051	11/04/2011	20/05/2011	Relevant examinations for meat products to determine compliance with EU Food Safety and Process Hygiene Criteria
FL18	FL052 FL053 FL054	05/09/2011	07/10/2011	Relevant examinations for dairy products to determine compliance with EU Food Safety and Process Hygiene Criteria
FL019	FL055 FL056 FL057	09/01/2012	03/02/2012	Relevant examinations for ready-to-eat products for compliance with EU Food Safety and Process Hygiene Criteria
FL20	FL058 FL059 FL060	20/02/2012	16/03/2012	Relevant examinations for infant and/or dairy products to determine compliance with EU Food Safety and Process Hygiene Criteria

## NON-PATHOGEN SCHEME

Sample schedule for 1 April 2011 to 31 March 2012

Distribution number	Sample numbers	Dispatch date	Date results due by	Enumerations included
NP039	NP0115  NP0116  NP0117	11/04/2011	27/05/2011	<i>Pseudomonas</i> spp. Yeasts Moulds Aerobic colony counts at 30°C Aerobic colony counts at 22°C Coliforms
NP040	NP0118  NP0119  NP0120	24/10/2011	09/12/2011	Enterobacteriaceae <i>Escherichia coli</i> Enterococci Lactic acid bacteria
NP041	NP0121  NP0122  NP0123	20/02/2012	30/03/2012	All the above enumerations are included for all samples; an option to register for PYM ( <i>Pseudomonas</i> spp., yeasts and moulds only) is available

## SHELLFISH SCHEME

Sample schedule for 1 April 2011 to 31 March 2012

Distribution number	Sample numbers	Dispatch date	Date results due by	Enumerations included
SF039	SF0086 SF0087	27/06/2011	29/07/2011	<i>E.coli</i> MPN <i>Salmonella</i> examination
SF040	SF0088 SF0089	24/10/2011	25/11/2011	
SF041	SF0090 SF0091	20/02/2012	23/03/2012	

## PATHOGENIC VIBRIO SCHEME

Sample schedule for 1 April 2011 to 31 March 2012

Distribution number	Sample numbers	Dispatch date	Date results due by	Enumerations required
V033	V0090/91 V0092/93	24/10/2011	18/11/2011	Detection and enumeration of pathogenic vibrios (e.g. <i>V.cholerae</i> non-O1 and non-O139 strains, <i>V.parahaemolyticus</i> , <i>V.vulnificus</i> ) included for all samples
V034	V0094/95 V0096/97	20/02/2012	23/03/2012	

## STAPH.AUREUS ENTEROTOXIN DETECTION

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Distribution number	Sample numbers	Dispatch date	Date results due by	Examinations required
STA018	ST0035 ST0036	11/04/2011	06/05/2011	Reconstitute samples, incubate and examine for <i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> enterotoxin
STA019	ST0037 ST0038	24/10/2011	18/11/2011	Provide information about method used

## LEGIONELLA ISOLATION SCHEME

Sample schedule for 1 April 2011 to 31 March 2012

Distribution number	Sample numbers	Dispatch date	Date results due by	Examinations required
G73	G73A G73B G73C	28/03/2011	13/05/2011	Detection, enumeration and identification of <i>Legionella</i> spp. included for all samples
G74	G74A G74B G74C	06/06/2011	22/07/2011	
G75	G75A G75B G75C	19/09/2011	28/10/2011	
G76	G76A G76B G76C	16/01/2012	24/02/2012	

## DRINKING WATER SCHEME

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Distribution number	Sample numbers	Dispatch date	Date results due by	Enumerations included
W139	W139A W139B W139C	28/03/2011	29/04/2011	Coliform bacteria <i>Escherichia coli</i> Enterococci <i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i> <i>Clostridium perfringens</i> Colony count (37°C/48 hours) Colony count (22°C/72 hours)  All the above enumerations are included for all samples
W140	W140A W140B W140C	06/06/2011	01/07/2011	
W141	W141A W141B W141C	19/09/2011	14/10/2011	
W142	W142A W142B W142C	07/11/2011	02/12/2011	
W143	W143A W143B W143C	16/01/2012	10/02/2012	
W144	W144A W144B W144C	05/03/2012	30/03/2012	

## RECREATIONAL AND SURFACE WATER

Sample schedule for 1 April 2011 to 31 March 2012

Distribution number	Sample numbers	Dispatch date	Date results due by	Examinations required
S42	S42A S42B	28/03/2011	29/04/2011	<i>river, lake or stream waters:</i> Coliform bacteria <i>Escherichia coli</i> Enterococci <i>Clostridium perfringens</i> <i>Salmonella</i> spp. Colony count (37°C/48 hours) Colony count (22°C/72 hours)
S43	S43A S43B	06/06/2011	01/07/2011	<i>marine (bathing beach) waters:</i> <i>Escherichia coli</i> Enterococci <i>Salmonella</i> spp.
S44	S44A S44B	19/09/2011	14/10/2011	<i>marine (bathing beach) waters:</i> <i>Escherichia coli</i> Enterococci <i>Salmonella</i> spp.
S45	S45A S45B	07/11/2011	02/12/2011	<i>bathing pool waters:</i> Coagulase-positive staphylococci Coliform bacteria <i>Escherichia coli</i> <i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i> Colony count (37°C/48 hours) Colony count (22°C/72 hours)
S46	S46A S46B	16/01/2012	10/02/2012	<i>river, lake or stream waters:</i> Coliform bacteria <i>Escherichia coli</i> Enterococci <i>Clostridium perfringens</i> <i>Salmonella</i> spp. Colony count (37°C/48 hours) Colony count (22°C/72 hours)
S47	S47A S47B	05/03/2012	30/03/2012	<i>bathing pool waters:</i> Coagulase-positive staphylococci Coliform bacteria <i>Escherichia coli</i> <i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i> Colony count (37°C/48 hours) Colony count (22°C/72 hours)