

The Animal Feed (AFPS) proficiency testing scheme includes chemical and microbiological samples in food and feed. The following form contains the calendar of rounds followed by descriptions of the samples and prices.

Please complete all sections below and return to LGC AXIO Proficiency Testing: axiopt@lgcgroup.com

Returning customer Lab
ID:

Purchase order no.:
(compulsory)

YOUR ORDER

If you would like to renew your order for the same samples/rounds as per previous year, please tick this box:

RENEW ME AS LAST YEAR

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We will copy over the samples/rounds purchased by you in the previous year and send you an order confirmation for your review. If you would like to add any other samples to your order, please mark them accordingly on the subsequent pages.

If you would prefer to place a different/new order for this scheme year, please review the samples available on subsequent pages and indicate the number of samples required for each sample/round accordingly.

SCHEDULE OVERVIEW

Month & Round	Despatch Date	Reporting Deadline	Chemistry	Microbiology
FEB AF068	22 Feb 2027	30 Mar 2027	01,02,08	
APR AF069	26 Apr 2027	01 Jun 2027	01,02,05,13,18,24,27,31,32	06AF,07AF,10,11,15,33
JUL AF070	26 Jul 2027	31 Aug 2027	01,02,23,25,28,30	06KB,06WP,07KB
OCT AF071	18 Oct 2027	22 Nov 2027	01,02,09,22,24,26,27,29,31,32	06AF,07AF,10,11,15

Please ensure that LGC receive your order as soon as possible in order to avoid stock shortages. Please note that orders received the week prior to the despatch date may be subject to a despatch delay.

PT-AF-05 is subject to UK export control and as such, we require a licence to ship. Please ensure your order is placed 6 weeks prior to the despatch date to allow sufficient time to apply for a license. LGC will contact you with further information once the order is placed.

The despatch date shown above is the date the sample will leave our site in the UK. Please note, this is not the date the samples will arrive at your laboratory. Delivery times vary based on country, if you require further information, please contact LGC.

SAMPLE AVAILABILITY – PLEASE SEE PAGE 1 FOR SPECIFIC DESPATCH AND REPORTING DATES

Please indicate the number of samples required per round in the grid. If you require a sample in all available rounds, please complete the **All Rounds** column.

Please note: Where a footnote symbol (* | # | ^ | †) appears in a column, the footnote description text may appear at the end of a table that may span across multiple pages. Please scroll to the end of the table for these details.

CHEMISTRY

Sample	Quantity	Supplied As	Nutritional Target Analytes	Round and Month (AF)				
				All Rounds	FEB 068	APR 069	JUL 070	OCT 071
PT-AF-01	125g	AF068: Sheep feed AF069: Cattle feed AF070: Poultry feed AF071: Pig feed	Moisture; Crude protein; Crude fat; Crude ash; Ash insoluble in hydrochloric acid; Sugars; Crude fibre; Starch; ADF; NDF; PPD; pH; Calorific value	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
PT-AF-09 *	125g	Wet pet food	Moisture; Crude protein; Crude fat; Crude ash; Ash insoluble in hydrochloric acid; Sugars; Crude fibre; Starch; pH	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
PT-AF-13 *	125g	Fish feed	Energy; Moisture; Crude protein; Crude fat; Crude ash; Crude fibre; pH	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
PT-AF-23 * NEW	125g	Silage	Dry Matter; Crude protein; Crude fat; Crude ash; Crude fibre; Starch	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
PT-AF-24 * NEW	125g	Ground corn	Moisture; Crude protein; Crude fat; Crude ash; Sugars; Crude fibre; Starch; Nitrogen; Lysine; Methionine; Threonine; Tryptophan	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
PT-AF-25 * NEW	125g	Meat and bone meal	Moisture; Crude protein; Crude fat; Crude ash; Sugars; Crude fibre; Starch; Nitrogen; Lysine; Methionine; Threonine; Tryptophan	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
PT-AF-26 * NEW	125g	Wheat bran	Moisture; Crude protein; Crude fat; Crude ash; Sugars; Crude fibre; Starch; Nitrogen; Lysine; Methionine; Threonine; Tryptophan	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

Nutritional				Round and Month (AF)				
Sample	Quantity	Supplied As	Target Analytes	All Rounds	FEB 068	APR 069	JUL 070	OCT 071
PT-AF-30 * NEW	125g	Oat flour/ oatmeal	Moisture; Crude protein; Crude fat; Crude ash; Sugars; Crude fibre; Starch; Nitrogen; Lysine; Methionine; Threonine; Tryptophan	☐			☐	

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Contaminants				Round and Month (AF)				
Sample	Quantity	Supplied As	Target Analytes	All Rounds	FEB 068	APR 069	JUL 070	OCT 071
PT-AF-05 *	125g	Cattle feed	Aflatoxins B1; B2; G1; G2; Total Aflatoxins; Ochratoxin A	☐		☐		
PT-AF-27 * NEW	50g	Ground corn	Aflatoxins B1; B2; G1; G2; Total Aflatoxins	☐		☐		☐
PT-AF-28 * NEW	50g	Ground oats	Aflatoxins B1; B2; G1; G2; Total Aflatoxins	☐			☐	
PT-AF-29 * NEW	50g	Wheat bran	Aflatoxins B1; B2; G1; G2; Total Aflatoxins	☐				☐

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Elements				Round and Month (AF)				
Sample	Quantity	Supplied As	Target Analytes	All Rounds	FEB 068	APR 069	JUL 070	OCT 071
PT-AF-02.	125g	AF068: Sheep feed AF069: Cattle feed AF070: Poultry feed AF071: Pig feed	Arsenic; Cadmium; Calcium; Chloride; Chromium; Cobalt; Copper; Iron; Lead; Magnesium; Manganese; Mercury; Phosphorus; Potassium; Selenium; Sodium; Zinc	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
PT-AF-08 *	125g	Premix	Arsenic; Cadmium; Calcium; Chloride; Chromium; Cobalt; Copper; Iron; Lead; Magnesium; Manganese; Mercury; Phosphorus; Potassium; Selenium; Sodium; Zinc; Lysine NEW ; Methionine NEW ; Threonine NEW ; Tryptophan NEW ; Vitamin B12 NEW ; Vitamin A NEW ; Vitamin D NEW	☐	☐			
PT-AF-31 * NEW	50g	Livestock salt	Calcium; Magnesium; Potassium; Sodium; Phosphorus; Copper; Iron; Zinc; Cobalt; Selenium; Iodine	☐		☐		☐
PT-AF-32 * NEW	10g	Livestock salt	Arsenic; Cadmium; Chromium; Lead; Mercury	☐		☐		☐

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Quality Parameters				Round and Month (AF)				
Sample	Quantity	Supplied As	Target Analytes	All Rounds	FEB 068	APR 069	JUL 070	OCT 071
PT-AF-18 *	50g	Copra oil	Peroxide value; Butylated hydroxyanisole (BHA); Butylated hydroxytoluene (BHT)	☐		☐		
PT-AF-22 *	50g	Dry pet food	Peroxide value; Hexanal; Free Fatty Acids	☐				☐

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MICROBIOLOGY

Samples Available				Round and Month (AF)				
Sample	Quantity	Supplied As	Target Analytes	All Rounds	FEB 068	APR 069	JUL 070	OCT 071
PT-AF-06AF.	2 x 10ml vial plus min. 50g matrix	Simulated animal feed	Detection of <i>Salmonella</i> species	☐				
PT-AF-06KB.	2 x 10ml vial plus min. 50g matrix	Dried petfood/kibble	Detection of <i>Salmonella</i> species	☐				
PT-AF-06WP *	2 x 10ml vial plus min. 50g matrix	Wet petfood	Detection of <i>Salmonella</i> species	☐				
PT-AF-07AF.	10g	Simulated animal feed	Total viable count; Enumeration of Enterobacteriaceae; Coliforms; <i>Escherichia coli</i> ; Lactic acid bacteria	☐				
PT-AF-07KB.	10g matrix + 10ml vial	Dried petfood/kibble	Total viable count; Enumeration of Enterobacteriaceae; Coliforms; <i>Escherichia coli</i> ; Lactic acid bacteria	☐				
PT-AF-10	10g	Simulated animal feed	Enumeration of <i>Clostridium perfringens</i> ; <i>Clostridium</i> species; Sulphite-reducing Clostridia; Total anaerobic count	☐				
PT-AF-11	25g	Simulated animal feed	Detection of <i>Listeria monocytogenes</i> ; <i>Listeria</i> species	☐				
PT-AF-15	10g	Simulated animal feed	Enumeration of coagulase positive staphylococci; <i>Bacillus cereus</i> ; Yeast; Mould; Yeast and Mould	☐				
PT-AF-33 * NEW	10ml vial plus min. 375g matrix	Dried petfood/kibble	Detection of <i>Salmonella</i> species	☐				

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Please note that all accredited samples are accredited within the boundaries of LGC's fixed and flexible scope of UKAS accreditation. For further details and the full technical specification of the scheme, please refer to the [Scheme Description](#)

To access our General Protocol, covering our scheme organisation and operation, test materials, reporting of results, data analysis/performance assessment and information provided to participants, please click on the following link: [GENERAL PROTOCOL – PT Schemes](#)

YOUR DETAILS

Returning customers, if you would like to keep your contact/address details as per previous year, please tick here:

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If changes are required or you are a new customer, please complete your details below:

Send Test Materials to:	Send Invoices to:
Contact name:	Contact name:
Department:	Department:
Company:	Company:
Address:	Address:
Town/City:	Town/City:
County:	County:
Post/Zip Code:	Post/Zip Code:
Country:	Country:
Tel:	Tel:
E-mail:	E-mail:
	VAT no:

Existing customers

If you would like to change your marketing preferences, please visit our [preference centre](#) or contact axiopt@lgcgroup.com

New customers

LGC would like to contact you by email, phone or post about its products, services and related areas or research. LGC does not sell contact details to external parties. You may unsubscribe at any time.

- ☐ Yes, I am happy to be contacted about LGC's products, services and research
- ☐ No, I do not require marketing information about LGC's products and services at this time

By submitting this application form, you are agreeing to comply by LGC's Standard Terms and Conditions for the Supply of Laboratory Quality Products and Services and are agreeing that you have read and agree to the 'General Notes' at the end of this document.

Name

Date

REPEAT/ADDITIONAL SAMPLES PRICES

Repeat and duplicate samples will be charged at 50% of the main sample cost. Please contact LGC for a quotation.

CARRIAGE CHARGES

Participants will pay an additional fee to cover courier charges. Please contact LGC AXIO Proficiency Testing for up-to-date charges.

CHANGES AND OTHER SCHEMES/SAMPLES OF INTEREST

CHANGES

We have introduced a number of new samples as follows:

- Sample PT-AF-23 (Nutritional information of silage). This will be available in round AF070 (July 2027).
- Sample PT-AF-24 (Nutritional information of ground corn). This will be available in rounds AF069 (April 2027) and AF071 (October 2027).
- Sample PT-AF-25 (Nutritional information of meat and bone meal). This will be available in round AF070 (July 2027).
- Sample PT-AF-26 (Nutritional information of wheat bran). This will be available in round AF071 (October 2027).
- Sample PT-AF-27 (Aflatoxins in ground corn destined for animal feed). This will be available in rounds AF069 (April 2027) and AF071 (October 2027).
- Sample PT-AF-28 (Aflatoxins in ground oats destined for animal feed). This will be available in round AF070 (July 2027).
- Sample PT-AF-29 (Aflatoxins in wheat bran destined for animal feed). This will be available in round AF071 (October 2027).
- Sample PT-AF-30 (Nutritional analysis of ground oats). This will be available in round AF070 (July 2027).
- Sample PT-AF-31 (Minerals in mineralized livestock salt). This will be available in rounds AF069 (April 2027) and AF071 (October 2027).
- Sample PT-AF-32 (Heavy metals in mineralized livestock salt). This will be available in rounds AF069 (April 2027) and AF071 (October 2027).
- Sample PT-AF-33 (Salmonella presence/absence). This will be available in round AF069 (April 2027).

We have added a number of new analytes as follows:

- Lysine; Methionine; Threonine; Tryptophan; Vitamin B12; Vitamin A and Vitamin D added to PT-AF-08 (Minerals, trace elements, vitamins and amino acids in premix)

Due to low participation numbers, we have removed the below samples:

- PT-AF-21 (Gluten in pet food)

OTHER SCHEMES/SAMPLES OF INTEREST

We have a number of other Food and Feed schemes available which may be of interest to you. Further details can be found on our [Food and Feed schemes webpage](#).

GENERAL NOTES

Please note:

- All prices stated are exclusive of VAT and carriage charges.
- VAT (charged at the prevailing rate) is payable by all participants based in the UK.

- Participants will pay an additional fee to cover courier charges. Please contact LGC AXIO Proficiency Testing for up-to-date charges (where not specified previously in the application form).
- All courier charges set by LGC AXIO Proficiency Testing do not include local import charges, taxes (etc.), which will be covered by the participant.
- Do not send remittance with this form, you will be invoiced subsequently after the despatch of each round.
- No refunds will be given for failure to take part in any round of the PT scheme.
- LGC AXIO Proficiency Testing reserves the right to not send samples or the report for previous samples to any participant that has not paid their subscriptions within the terms stated on the invoice.
- LGC AXIO Proficiency Testing cannot guarantee the number of participants that will return results for any particular parameter in each round.
- The prices stated are for reporting results and receiving reports electronically via PORTAL (internet reporting).
- Surplus PT samples (Quality Control Material) are available; please contact LGC AXIO Proficiency Testing for further information.
- By submitting this application form, you are agreeing to comply by [LGC's Standard Terms and Conditions for the Supply of Laboratory Quality Products and Services](#). Furthermore, for test samples containing microorganisms with a bio safety level (BSL) of 1 or 2, you are confirming that you are complying with applicable laws and regulations when using such materials.

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Customer	
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