Proficiency Testing - Hygiene Surface Monitoring (HYGIENE)
APPLICATION FORM - 2027

UKAS PROFICIENCY TESTING 29821

The Hygiene Surface Monitoring (HYGIENE) proficiency testing scheme includes samples for environmental microbiology analysis. 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 ☐

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	Samples Available
MAR	HY371	22 Mar 2027	26 Apr 2027	01, 02, 03, 05, 06, 07, 09A, 09B, 10, 11, 13
JUL	HY375	19 Jul 2027	23 Aug 2027	01, 02, 03, 12, 13, 14
NOV	HY379	15 Nov 2027	20 Dec 2027	01, 02, 03, 05, 09A, 09B, 10, 11, 14, 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.

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.

Swab			Round and Month (HY)			
Sample	Supplied As	Target Analytes	All Rounds	MAR 371	JUL 375	NOV 379
PT-HY-01 Surface swabbing (Indicators)	Plastic surface with a lyophilised tablet	Direct count and/or swab count of the following analytes: Total aerobic mesophilic count; Enumeration of Yeast; Mould; Yeast and Mould; Enterobacteriaceae; Coliforms; *Escherichia coli* Identification of yeast and mould to genus and/or species level **NEW**	☐	☐	☐	☐
PT-HY-02 Surface swabbing (Pathogens)	Plastic surface with a lyophilised tablet	Direct detection and/or swab detection of the following analytes: Detection of *Listeria* species; *Listeria monocytogenes*; *Salmonella* species	☐	☐	☐	☐
PT-HY-10 Swab rinsate sample (Indicators)	Lyophilised tablet and 10ml diluent	Enumeration of Yeast; Mould; Yeast and Mould; Enterobacteriaceae; Coliforms; *Escherichia coli*; Total aerobic mesophilic count	☐	☐		☐
PT-HY-11 Swab rinsate sample (Pathogens)	Lyophilised tablet and 10ml diluent	Detection of *Listeria* species; *Listeria monocytogenes*; *Salmonella* species; *E.coli* O157	☐	☐		☐
PT-HY-14 * Swab	Ready to test swab	Detection of *Listeria* species; *Listeria monocytogenes*	☐		☐	☐
PT-HY-15 * Swab	Ready to test swab	Detection of *Cronobacter* species	☐			☐

*Please note that these samples are not currently within the scope of LGC's UKAS accreditation.

Contact Plate			Round and Month (HY)			
Sample	Supplied As	Target Analytes	All Rounds	MAR 371	JUL 375	NOV 379
PT-HY-03 Contact plate	Plastic surface with a lyophilised tablet	Total aerobic mesophilic count; Identification of organism				
PT-HY-06 Contact plate	Plastic surface with a lyophilised tablet	Enumeration of Yeast; Mould; Yeast and Mould				
PT-HY-07 Contact plate	Plastic surface with a lyophilised tablet	Enumeration of *Staphylococcus aureus*				
PT-HY-12 Contact plate	Plastic surface with a lyophilised tablet	Enumeration of Enterobacteriaceae				

Sponge			Round and Month (HY)			
Sample	Supplied As	Target Analytes	All Rounds	MAR 371	JUL 375	NOV 379
PT-HY-13 * Sponge	Ready to test sponge	Detection of *Salmonella* species				

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Air Filter			Round and Month (HY)			
Sample	Supplied As	Target Analytes	All Rounds	MAR 371	JUL 375	NOV 379
PT-HY-09A Air filter testing NEW	Dry 0.45µm membrane filter	Total viable count				
PT-HY-09B Air filter testing NEW	Dry 0.45µm membrane filter	Enumeration of Yeast; Mould; Yeast and Mould				

ATP Monitoring Systems			Round and Month (HY)			
Sample	Supplied As	Target Analytes	All Rounds	MAR 371	JUL 375	NOV 379
PT-HY-05 * ATP	Lyophilised tablet/s for testing using ATP monitoring systems (diluent required)	ATP	☐	☐		☐

*Please note that these samples are not currently within the scope of LGC's UKAS accreditation.

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 in the Scheme Information section on the Hygiene Surface Monitoring (HYGIENE) webpage.

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: ☐

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/State:		County/State:	
Post/Zip Code:		Post/Zip Code:	
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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.

The maximum number of repeat samples available is 10 per sample per round. If you require a larger quantity, please contact LGC AXIO Proficiency Testing for further information.

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 added a new analyte as follows:

- Identification of yeast and mould to genus and/or species level added to PT-HY-01 (Surface testing using swabbing techniques – Hygiene indicators) - this analyte has been added as accredited under LGC's flexible scope of UKAS accreditation.

We have split sample PT-HY-09 (Air filter testing) into 2 new samples as follows:

- PT-HY-09A (Air filter for Total Viable Count)
- PT-HY-09B (Air filter for Yeast and Mould)

We have changed the frequency of the following samples:

- PT-HY-13 (Sponge for detection of Salmonella) has been increased from 1 round to 2 rounds

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

- PT-HY-16 (Sink drain swab)

OTHER SCHEMES/SAMPLES OF INTEREST

We have a number of other samples in our other schemes that may be of interest to you:

- Water Microbiology (QWAS): PT-WT-433 Endoscope water. Further information can be found on our Water Microbiology (QWAS) Scheme web page
- Food Chemistry (QFCS): PT-FC-855 (Gluten on surface swabs) and PT-FC-882 (Peanut on surface swabs). Further information can be found on our Food Chemistry (QFCS) Scheme web page

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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