

Public Health Scheme - Preliminary Intended Results Notification

These results are provided for guidance and are determined from the examinations undertaken during quality control testing of the samples. The enumeration results may show minor variations from the final results, which are calculated from the participants' consensus results, included in the distribution report.

Distribution: PH5 Samples: PH0025, PH0026, PH0027, PH0028, PH0029 and PH0030

Intended results: The results shown below provide information on the sample contents only. The examination or reporting of other pathogens/indicator organisms as required by your testing protocol not shown in the table below are also acceptable.

	PH0025 (*cfu/g ⁻¹)	PH0026 (*cfu/g ⁻¹)	PH0027 (*cfu/g ⁻¹)	PH0028 (**cfu/swab)	PH0029 (**cfu/cm ²)	PH0030 (**cfu/cm²)
Clostridium perfringens	10	<10	1.2x10 ²	3.0x10 ²	1	<1
Aerobic Colony Count	8.2x10 ³	50	1.0x10 ²	1.5x10 ⁴	1.8x10 ²	2.5x10 ²
Enterobacteriaceae	2.8x10 ²	<10	<10	5.0x10 ³	<1	1.1x10 ²
Escherichia coli	<10	<10	<10	<100	<1	17

^{*} colony forming units per gram

Sample contents:

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PH0025	Clostridium perfringens, Klebsiella pneumoniae and Micrococcus varians	
PH0026	Bacillus subtilis, Citrobacter braakii, Lactobacillus plantarum and Staphylococcus xylosus	
PH0027	C. perfringens, Pseudomonas aeruginosa and Staphylococcus epidermidis	
PH0028	C. perfringens, Enterobacter cloacae and S. epidermidis	
PH0029	C. perfringens, B. subtilis and M. varians	
PH0030	E. cloacae, Enterococcus faecium and E. coli	

All participants returned results for this distribution

The distribution report providing details of your individual performance and an analysis of all participants' results will be dispatched within three weeks. The report may also include sample specific comments.

Repeat samples are available for participants who experienced problems with any of the examinations and wish to make a further attempt or repeat a count. There is no need to wait until you have received the report to order repeat samples.

The next distribution of Public Health Scheme samples will be dispatched during the week beginning 23 February 2015.

If you require any technical advice or wish to make comments or suggestions relating to the scheme please contact us.

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^{**} colony forming units per swab or cm²