

Schedule of Accreditation



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Services available to the public ¹	No

¹ Refer to document on interpreting INAB Scopes of Accreditation

Sites from which accredited services are delivered		
(the detail of the accredited services delivered at each site are on the Scope of Accreditation)		
	Name	Address
1	Public Health Laboratory	HSE, Ballycummin Avenue, Raheen Business Park, Limerick, Ireland, V94 D1W9

Scope of Accreditation

Public Health Laboratory

Biological and Veterinary Testing

Category: A

Biology/veterinary field - Tests	Test name	Technique	Matrix	Equipment	Std. reference	
803 Culture of organisms in liquid or agar based culture media with visual or instrument monitoring for growth - .01 Culture of bacteria	Aerobic colony count @30°C & 37°C	TM2 (spiral/spread plate)	Dairy Products and egg products Meat & meat products, game and poultry Fish, shellfish and molluscs Fats and oils Soups, broths and sauces Cereal products vegetables spices beverages Confectionery Nuts and nut products, snacks Prepared dishes Foodstuffs intended for special nutritional purposes Additives to foods Surface swabs	Egg Meat & meat products, game and poultry Fish, shellfish and molluscs Cereal products Fruit and Herbs and Non-alcoholic Ices and desserts	Spiral Plater (IUL Eddy Jet)	Based on ISO 4833-2:2013/A1:2022

Aerobic colony count (a) 36°C for 48 hrs (b) 22°C for 72 hrs (c) 36°C for 24hrs	TM 23 (pour plate)	Bacteriological condition of potable waters Bacteriological condition of industrial waters (treated, recirculating)		Based on ISO 6222:1999
Aerobic colony count (c) 36°C for 24hrs	TM23 (pour plate)	Bacteriological condition of swimming pools and spas		Based on ISO 6222:1999
Beta-glucuronidase positive Escherichia coli	TM15 (MPN)	Fish, shellfish and molluscs Live and cooked molluscs and shellfish		Based on ISO 16649 3:2015(MPN) and AFNOR certificate & ISO 7218:2007/A1: 2013
Clostridium perfringens	TM5 (Pour plate)	Dairy Products and egg products Meat & meat products, game and poultry Fish, shellfish and molluscs Fats and oils Soups, broths and sauces Cereal products Fruit and vegetables Herbs and spices Non-alcoholic beverages Confectionery Nuts and nut products, snacks Prepared dishes Foodstuffs intended for special nutritional purposes Additives to foods		ISO 15213-2:2023
Coagulase positive staphylococci	TM9 (spiral/spread plate)	Dairy Products and egg products Meat & meat products, game and poultry Fish, shellfish and molluscs Fats and oils	Spiral Plater (IUL Eddy Jet)	ISO 6888-1:2021/AMD.1:2023

		Soups, broths and sauces Cereal products vegetables spices beverages Confectionery Nuts and nut products, snacks Prepared dishes Foodstuffs intended for special nutritional purposes Additives to foods Surface swabs	Cereal products Fruit and Herbs and Non-alcoholic Ices and desserts	
Detection and Confirmation of: Campylobacter species	TM4 Detection procedure A only,(Bolton Broth Enrichment)	Dairy Products and egg products Meat & meat products, game and poultry Fish, shellfish and molluscs Fats and oils Soups, broths and sauces Cereal products vegetables spices beverages Confectionery Nuts and nut products, snacks Prepared dishes Foodstuffs intended for special nutritional purposes Additives to foods Surface swabs	Egg Meat & meat products, game and poultry Fish, shellfish and molluscs Fats and oils Soups, broths and sauces Cereal products Fruit and Herbs and Non-alcoholic Ices and desserts	ISO 10272:-1 2017/A1:2023
Detection and enumeration of: Legionella spp Legionella pneumophila Serogroup 1 Serogroup 2-14	TM32 (membrane filtration) Matrix A;Procedure5; Medium A-BCYE.	Endoscopy rinse water RO water		ISO 11731:2017
Detection and enumeration of:	TM32(membrane filtration) Matrix	Bacteriological condition of potable		ISO 11731:2017

Legionella spp Legionella pneumophila Serogroup 1 Serogroup 2-14	B;Procedure 1,8,9,10;Medium C-GVPC	waters Bacteriological condition of industrial waters (treated, recirculating)		
Detection of Cronobacter species	TM 24.3 (Cronobacter Selective Broth and Chromogenic agar)	Foodstuffs intended for special nutritional uses		ISO 22964:2017
Detection of Enterobacteriaceae	TM 24.2(BPW broth enrichment)	Foodstuffs intended for special nutritional uses		ISO 21528-1:2017
Detection of Salmonella species	TM30 (membrane filtration, RVS & MKTTn enrichment)	Bathing water (lake and seawater)		ISO 19250:2010
	TM30 (membrane filtration, RVS & MKTTn enrichment)	Bacteriological condition of potable waters		ISO 19250:2010
Detection of thermotolerant Campylobacter species in water by the membrane filtration method using Bolton broth	TM29	Bacteriological condition of environmental waters		ISO 17995:2019
		Bacteriological condition of swimming pools and spas		ISO 17995:2019
Detection of thermotolerant Campylobacter species in water by the membrane filtration method using Bolton broth.		Bacteriological condition of potable waters Bacteriological condition of industrial		ISO 17995:2019

		waters (treated, recirculating)		
Enumeration & confirmation of: Presumptive <i>Bacillus cereus</i> and <i>Bacillus</i> spp.	TM3 (spiral/spread plate using MYP agar)	Dairy Products and egg products Meat & meat products, game and poultry Fish, shellfish and molluscs Fats and oils Soups, broths and sauces Cereal products Fruit and vegetables Herbs and spices Non-alcoholic beverages Ices and desserts Confectionery Nuts and nut products, snacks Prepared dishes Foodstuffs intended for special nutritional purposes Additives to foods	Spiral Plater (IUL Eddy Jet)	ISO 7932: 2004/AMD 1:2020
Enumeration and confirmation of <i>Enterobacteriaceae</i>	TM24 (Pour plate)	Dairy Products and egg products Meat & meat products, game and poultry Fish, shellfish and molluscs Fats and oils Soups, broths and sauces Cereal products Fruit and vegetables Herbs and spices Non-alcoholic beverages Ices and desserts Confectionery Nuts and nut products, snacks Prepared dishes Foodstuffs intended for special nutritional purposes Additives to foods Surface swabs		ISO 21528-2:2017
Enumeration of <i>Clostridium perfringens</i> in water	TM21	Bacteriological condition of potable		Based on ISO 14189:2013

		waters Bacteriological condition of industrial waters (treated, recirculating)		
Enumeration of Enterococci	TM19 (membrane filtration)	Bacteriological condition of potable waters		ISO 7899-2:2000
Enumeration of Enterococci	TM19 (membrane filtration)	Bathing water (lake and seawater)		ISO 7899-2:2000
	TM19 (membrane filtration)	Ice		ISO 7899-2:2000
Enumeration of general coliform/ E. coli	TM18 (Membrane Filtration)	Bacteriological condition of potable waters		ISO 9308-1: 2014/A1:2016
Enumeration of general coliform/ E. coli		Bacteriological condition of swimming pools and spas		ISO 9308-1: 2014/A1:2016
Enumeration of general coliform/E.coli		Ice		ISO 9308-1: 2014/A1:2016
Enumeration of Pseudomonas aeruginosa	TM20	Bacteriological condition of potable waters Bacteriological condition of industrial waters (treated, recirculating)		ISO 16266:2006, Microbiology of Drinking Water(2015) Methods for the Examination of Waters and Associated Materials: Part 8B (membrane filtration)
		Bacteriological condition of swimming pools and spas		Microbiology of Drinking Water (2015) Methods for the Examination of Waters and Associated Materials: Part8B (membrane filtration)

		Endoscopy rinse water RO water		Microbiology of Drinking Water (2015) Methods for the Examination of Waters and Associated Materials:Part 8B (membrane filtration)
Escherichia coli	TM6 (Pour plate using Rec2 agar)	Dairy Products and egg products Meat & meat products, game and poultry Fish, shellfish and molluscs Fats and oils Soups, broths and sauces Cereal products Fruit and vegetables spices beverages Herbs and Confectionery Nuts and nut products, snacks Prepared dishes Foodstuffs intended for special nutritional purposes Additives to foods Surface swabs	Egg Fish, shellfish and molluscs Cereals Fruit and vegetables Herbs and Non-alcoholic beverages Ices and desserts	Based on ISO 16649-2:2001 and AFNOR validated method (No.BRD 07/01-07/93,Rapid E.coli 2 medium)
General coliform count/ E. coli count - Colilert ® method	TM17	Bathing water (lake and seawater)		ISO 9308-2: 2012
General coliform count/ E. coli count- Colilert® method		Bacteriological condition of potable waters Bacteriological condition of industrial waters (treated, recirculating)		ISO 9308-2: 2012
		Bacteriological condition of swimming		ISO 9308-2: 2012

		pools and spas			
General coliform count/E.coli count-colilert ® method	TM17	Ice		ISO 9308-2: 2012	
Isolation of Salmonella by Membrane Filtration and Selective Enrichment in water samples	TM30	Bacteriological condition of swimming pools and spas		ISO 19250:2010 Water quality – Detection of Salmonella species	
Listeria species including identification of Listeria monocytogenes	TM7E (spiral/spread plate)	Dairy Products and egg products Meat & meat products, game and poultry Fish, shellfish and molluscs Fats and oils Soups, broths and sauces Cereal products Fruit and vegetables Herbs and spices Non-alcoholic beverages Confectionery Nuts and nut products, snacks Prepared dishes Foodstuffs intended for special nutritional purposes Additives to foods Surface swabs	Egg Ices and desserts	Spiral Plater (IUL Eddy Jet)	ISO 11290 part 2:2017
Listeria species including Listeria monocytogenes	TM7D (half fraser/full fraser enrichment)	Dairy Products and egg products Meat & meat products, game and poultry Fish, shellfish and molluscs Fats and oils Soups, broths and sauces Cereal products Fruit and vegetables Herbs and spices Non-alcoholic beverages Confectionery	Egg Ices and desserts		ISO 11290 part 1:2017

		Nuts and nut products, snacks Prepared dishes Foodstuffs intended for special nutritional purposes Additives to foods Surface swabs		
Salmonella species	TM8 (RVS and MKTTn enrichment)	Dairy Products and egg products Meat & meat products, game and poultry Fish, shellfish and molluscs Fats and oils Soups, broths and sauces Cereal products Fruit and vegetables Spices Herbs and Non-alcoholic beverages Confectionery Nuts and nut products, snacks Prepared dishes Foodstuffs intended for special nutritional purposes Additives to foods Surface swabs		ISO 6579-1: 2017/AMD 1:2020
The Enumeration of Sporulated Sulphite Reducing Anerobes (SSRA) in water by Membrane Filtration	TM21.1	Bacteriological condition of potable waters Bacteriological condition of industrial waters (treated, recirculating)		Based on ISO 14189:2013
Total Viable Count	TM28.1 (membrane filtration)	Endoscopy rinse water RO water		IS EN ISO 15883: Part 1: 2024 and Part 4: 2018
	TM34(spiral/ spread plate)	Water for haemodialysis RO water	Spiral Plater (IUL Eddy Jet)	ISO 23500-3:2024

	Total Viable count on Ultrapure Dialysis waters and Fluid	TM 34.1	Water for haemodialysis Fluid for haemodialysis		ISO 23500-5:2024
816 Genetic testing - .03 Molecular genetics	Detection of Shiga toxin-producing Escherichia coli (STEC) and the determination of O157, O111, O26, O103, O145, O121 and O45 serogroups (STEC PCR)	TM33.2	Bacteriological condition of potable waters		In-house developed method