

Swab Sampling Test Instructions

Contact PASL at PASL@phigenics.com prior to sampling to ensure the laboratory can accommodate your request.

IMPORTANT: Perform and ship this test **ONLY** on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday

1 GATHER MATERIALS

One water sample location requires the following items found in the sample box:



Chain of Custody (CoC)



Sample Swab with
With neutralizing buffer
solution. *Do not remove buffer.*



Shipping Label
(Fedex Priority Overnight)

In addition to the supplied items (above) you will need:

Packing Tape

Permanent Marker
and Ballpoint Pen

Gloves
(Required)

Safety Glasses
(Required)

2 LABEL SAMPLE CONTAINERS

Using a permanent marker, label the swab collection tube with the number that corresponds to to the CoC "Field ID" for the specific sample location.

3 COLLECT WATER SAMPLE

IMPORTANT: *Gloves and safety glasses are required to be worn.* Aseptically remove the swab from the neutralizing buffer solution inside the collection tube. Note: DO NOT discard the neutralizing buffer solution from the collection tube. Rub the swab head firmly over the desired sample areas reversing directions between strokes. Be careful not to break the stem of the swab. Repeat four more times over the sample area.

4 APPLY SECURITY SEALS and COMPLETE COC

Carefully, return the swab to the neutralizing buffer solution inside the collection tube and cap securely. A signed and complete CoC is required for all samples submitted. Using a ballpoint pen, fill out the CoC with specific sample location information. Include the sample ship date and sign in the "Relinquished By" box at the bottom of the page.

5 REPACK and SHIP on **SAME DAY**

Repack swab collection tube into shipping container. Place signed CoC in box. Close and seal with packing tape. Attach Priority Overnight shipping label.