



The Dairy Chemistry (QDCS) proficiency testing scheme includes chemical samples in dairy products. 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: <a href="mailto:axiopt@lgcgroup.com">axiopt@lgcgroup.com</a>

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:



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
JAN	CH345	27 Jan 2025	03 Mar 2025	27, 28, 29, 31, 32A, 32B, 35, 36, 37, 38A, 38B, 39, 40, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 58, 59, 70, 71, 72, 75
APR	CH348	07 Apr 2025	12 May 2025	27, 28, 29, 31, 32A, 32B, 35, 36, 37, 38A, 38B, 39, 40, 42, 43, 44, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 58, 59, 62, 63, 66, 67, 68, 70, 71, 72, 73, 76, 77
JUL	CH352	28 Jul 2025	01 Sep 2025	27, 28, 29, 31, 32A, 32B, 35, 36, 37, 38A, 38B, 39, 40, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 58, 59, 60, 65, 70, 71, 72, 74
ОСТ	CH354	13 Oct 2025	17 Nov 2025	27, 28, 29, 31, 32A, 32B, 35, 36, 37, 38A, 38B, 39, 40, 42, 43, 44, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 58, 59, 63, 65, 67, 68, 70, 71, 72, 78

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.

Samples PT-CH-60, PT-CH-62, PT-CH-68 are 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.

			Nutritional Information	Round	l and l	Mont	.h (C⊦	I)
Sample	Quantity	Supplied As	Target Analytes	All Rounds			JUL ( 352 )	
PT-CH-36	250g	Butter	Energy; Fat; Saturates; Salt; Sodium; Moisture; pH; Solids-non-fat (SNF)					
PT-CH-37	100g	CH345: Double Gloucester CH348: Gouda CH352: Grana Padano CH354: Cheddar	Energy; Fat; Saturates; Protein; Salt; Sodium; Moisture; pH; Cholesterol; Calcium; Lactose; Ash					
PT-CH-38B	120g	Whey powder	Moisture; Scorched particles; Fat; Protein; Ash; Lactose; Galactose; pH					
PT-CH-43	120g	Whey protein concentrate	Fat; Protein; Moisture; Ash; pH; Bulk Density; Lactose; Insolubility Index					
PT-CH-58	100g	CH345: Fat free yogurt CH348: Full fat yogurt CH352: Low fat yogurt CH354: Full fat yogurt	Energy; Fat; Protein; Salt; Sodium; Total solids; pH; Calcium					
PT-CH-59	100g	CH345: Full fat soft cheese CH348: Mascarpone CH352: Half fat soft cheese CH354: Quark	Energy; Fat; Saturates; Protein; Salt; Sodium; Moisture; pH; Calcium; Lactose; Ash; Total dietary fibre					



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	Nutritional Information							H)
Sample	Quantity	Supplied As	Target Analytes	All Rounds	JAN 345			
PT-CH-63	100g	Cheese powder	Salt; Moisture; pH; Fat; Protein; Ash; Sodium; Colour#					
PT-CH-66	100g	Condensed milk	Energy; Fat; Saturates; Carbohydrate; Total sugars; Protein; Salt; Sodium; pH					
PT-CH-67	100g		Energy; Fat; Saturates; Cholesterol; Carbohydrate; Total sugars; Protein; Salt; Sodium; Moisture; Sorbic acid; Lactose; Calcium; Phosphorus, pH <mark>NEW</mark>					
PT-CH-76 *	150g	Infant formula	Fat; Saturates; Carbohydrate; Total sugars; Net carbohydrates; Protein; Salt; Fibre; Docosahexaenoic acid (DHA); Arachidonic acid (ARA); β-galactooligosaccharides (GOS) <mark>NEW</mark>					

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	Additives							H)
Sample	Quantity	Supplied As	Target Analytes	A11 Rounds				OCT 354
PT-CH-44		CH348: Whole milk powder CH354: Infant milk powder	Vitamins A; B12; C; D; E					
PT-CH-65 *	50g	Milk powder	Nitrate; Nitrite					
PT-CH-73 *	25g	Grated cheese	Natamycin					

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		Toxins		Round	and I	Mont	h (Cł	H)
Sample	Quantity	Supplied As	Target Analytes	All Rounds	JAN 345			
PT-CH-60 *	25m1	Freeze-dried milk	Aflatoxin M1					
PT-CH-62	70g	Soft cheese	Aflatoxin M1					
PT-CH-68.	2 x 50g	Freeze-dried cheese	Staphylococcal enterotoxins					

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			Veterinary residues	Round	lonti	n (CH	l)	
Sample	Quantity	Supplied As	Target Analytes	All Rounds	JAN / 345			
PT-CH-70.	2 x 5m1	Freeze-dried milk	Presence/Absence of antibiotics (beta lactams)					
РТ-СН-71.	2 x 5m1	Freeze-dried milk	Presence/Absence of antibiotics (sulphonamides)					
PT-CH-72.	2 x 5m1	Freeze-dried milk	Presence/Absence of antibiotics (tetracyclines)					

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			Elements	Round	and	Montl	h (Cl	H)
Sample	Quantity	Supplied As	Target Analytes	A11 Rounds	JAN 345			
PT-CH-42		CH348: Whole milk powder CH354: Infant milk powder	Elements: Minerals (Chloride; Fe; Mg; Mn; P; Zn; Ca; K; Cu; Na)					
PT-CH-74 *	10g	Infant formula	Lead; Cadmium; Arsenic; Mercury; Nickel <mark>NEW</mark>			[		

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			Composition/Quality	Round	Mont	th (CH)		
Sample	Quantity	Supplied As	Target Analytes	All Rounds			JUL O 352 3	
PT-CH-27	250m1	Skimmed/non-fat milk	Fat 0.10% to 0.50%					
PT-CH-28	250m1	Whole milk	Protein 3.0% to 4.0%; Calcium; Total Solids; Lactose					
PT-CH-29	125m1	HCI solution	Titratable Acidity					
PT-CH-31	2 x 10m1	Freeze-dried milk	Phosphatase					
PT-CH-32A	250m1	Whole milk	рН					
PT-CH-32B	250m1	Buffer solution	рН					



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			Composition/Quality	Round	and N	1ont	n (CH)
Sample	Quantity	Supplied As	Target Analytes	All Rounds	JAN / 345 -	APR 348	JUL OCT 352 354
PT-CH-35	100m1	Potassium hydrogen phthalate	COD				
PT-CH-38A	120g	Skimmed milk powder	Moisture; Ash; Scorched Particles; pH				
PT-CH-39	240g	Whipping cream	Fat 30% to 40%; Titratable Acidity; Protein; Dry Matter				
PT-CH-40	250m1	Semi-skimmed milk	Fat 1.2% to 2.0%				
PT-CH-51	120g	Skimmed milk powder	Fat; Protein; WPNI; Titratable Acidity (rehydrated); Titratable acidity (milk powder); Insolubility Index; pH				
PT-CH-52	120g	Whole milk powder	Fat; Protein; Moisture; WPNI; Titratable acidity (rehydrated); Titratable acidity (milk powder); Insolubility Index; pH				
PT-CH-53	240g	Single/light cream	Fat 12% to 25%				
PT-CH-54	240g	Double/heavy cream	Fat 40% to 50%				
PT-CH-55	250m1	Whole milk	Fat 2.8% to 5.0%				
PT-CH-56	250m1	Whole milk	Titratable Acidity; FPD				





	Composition/Quality							H)
Sample	Quantity	Supplied As	Target Analytes	A11 Rounds	JAN 345			
PT-CH-75 *	150-200m1	Liquid infant formula	Density					
PT-CH-77 * <mark>NEW</mark>	250m1	Skimmed/non-fat milk	Protein; Calcium; Total solids; Lactose					
PT-CH-78 * <mark>NEW</mark>	50g	Butter	2,3 butanedione (diacetyl)					

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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 previou	ıs
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:
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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





## VOLUME QUANTITY DISCOUNT

Please note that any additional/duplicate samples ordered will not contribute to the calculation of volume discount, but will be charged at a lower rate (see Repeat/Additional samples section).

Samples purchased per order	Volume Discount
1-5	0.0%
6-9	10.0%
10-19	17.0%
20-29	27.0%
30-49	30.0%
50+	33.0%

### **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 new samples as follows:

- Sample PT-CH-77 (Analysis of protein, calcium, total solids and lactose in skimmed/non-fat milk). This will be available in round CH348 (April 2025).
- Sample PT-CH-78 (Analysis of 2,3 butanedione (diacetyl) in butter). This will be available in round CH354 (October 2025).

We have added the following new analytes:

- pH added to sample PT-CH-67 (Processed cheese)
- Nickel added to sample PT-CH-74 (Infant formula)
- β-galactooligosaccharides (GOS) added to sample PT-CH-76 (Infant formula)

#### **OTHER SCHEMES/SAMPLES OF INTEREST**

We have a number of other samples which may be of interest to you:

• PT-FC-774 (Water activity in cheese) Further information can be found on our PT-FC-774 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.

### LGC AXIO PT FOR INTERNAL USE ONLY

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