

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:  
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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**

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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   | HY359 | 23 Mar 2026   | 27 Apr 2026        | 01, 02, 03, 05, 06, 07, 09, 10, 11     |
| JUL   | HY363 | 20 Jul 2026   | 24 Aug 2026        | 01, 02, 03, 12, 13, 14                 |
| NOV   | HY367 | 16 Nov 2026   | 21 Dec 2026        | 01, 02, 03, 05, 09, 10, 11, 14, 15, 16 |

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 359                  | JUL 363                  | NOV 367                  |
| PT-HY-01 Surface swabbing (Indicators)                 | Plastic surface with a lyophilised tablet                                             | Direct count and/or swab count of the following analytes:<br>Total aerobic mesophilic count; Enumeration of Yeast; Mould; Yeast and Mould; <i>Enterobacteriaceae</i> ; Coliforms; <i>Escherichia coli</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| PT-HY-02 Surface swabbing (Pathogens)                  | Plastic surface with a lyophilised tablet                                             | Direct detection and/or swab detection of the following analytes:<br>Detection of <i>Listeria</i> species; <i>Listeria monocytogenes</i> ; <i>Salmonella</i> species                                      | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| PT-HY-10 Swab rinsate sample (Indicators)              | Lyophilised tablet and 10ml diluent                                                   | Enumeration of Yeast; Mould; Yeast and Mould; <i>Enterobacteriaceae</i> ; Coliforms; <i>Escherichia coli</i> ; Total aerobic mesophilic count                                                             | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| PT-HY-11 Swab rinsate sample (Pathogens)               | Lyophilised tablet and 10ml diluent                                                   | Detection of <i>Listeria</i> species; <i>Listeria monocytogenes</i> ; <i>Salmonella</i> species; <i>E.coli</i> O157                                                                                       | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| PT-HY-16 * Swab rinsate sample (Sink drain) <b>NEW</b> | 2 x Lyophilised tablets each to be reconstituted in 10ml (sink drain biofilm testing) | Detection of <i>Listeria</i> species; <i>Listeria monocytogenes</i> ; <i>Salmonella</i> species                                                                                                           | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

\*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 359                  | JUL 363                  | NOV 367                  |
| PT-HY-03 Contact plate | Plastic surface with a lyophilised tablet | Total aerobic mesophilic count; Identification of organism | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

| Contact Plate             |                                           |                                              | Round and Month (HY)     |                          |                          |         |
|---------------------------|-------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|---------|
| Sample                    | Supplied As                               | Target Analytes                              | All Rounds               | MAR 359                  | JUL 363                  | NOV 367 |
| PT-HY-06<br>Contact plate | Plastic surface with a lyophilised tablet | Enumeration of Yeast; Mould; Yeast and Mould | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |                          |         |
| PT-HY-07<br>Contact plate | Plastic surface with a lyophilised tablet | Enumeration of <i>Staphylococcus aureus</i>  | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |                          |         |
| PT-HY-12<br>Contact plate | Plastic surface with a lyophilised tablet | Enumeration of <i>Enterobacteriaceae</i>     | <input type="checkbox"/> |                          | <input type="checkbox"/> |         |

| Sponge               |                      |                                                                     | Round and Month (HY)     |         |                          |                          |
|----------------------|----------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|---------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Sample               | Supplied As          | Target Analytes                                                     | All Rounds               | MAR 359 | JUL 363                  | NOV 367                  |
| PT-HY-13 *<br>Sponge | Ready to test sponge | Detection of <i>Salmonella</i> species                              | <input type="checkbox"/> |         | <input type="checkbox"/> |                          |
| PT-HY-14 *<br>Sponge | Ready to test sponge | Detection of <i>Listeria</i> species; <i>Listeria monocytogenes</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> |         | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| PT-HY-15 *<br>Sponge | Ready to test sponge | Detection of <i>Cronobacter</i> species                             | <input type="checkbox"/> |         |                          | <input type="checkbox"/> |

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| ATP Monitoring Systems |                                                                                  |                 | Round and Month (HY)     |                          |         |                          |
|------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|---------|--------------------------|
| Sample                 | Supplied As                                                                      | Target Analytes | All Rounds               | MAR 359                  | JUL 363 | NOV 367                  |
| PT-HY-05 * ATP         | Lyophilised tablet/s for testing using ATP monitoring systems (diluent required) | ATP             | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |         | <input type="checkbox"/> |

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| Samples Available           |                            |                                                                  | Round and Month (HY)     |                          |                          |                          |
|-----------------------------|----------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Sample                      | Supplied As                | Target Analytes                                                  | All Rounds               | MAR 359                  | JUL 363                  | NOV 367                  |
| PT-HY-09 Air filter testing | Dry 0.45µm membrane filter | Total viable count; Enumeration of Yeast; Mould; Yeast and Mould | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

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 previous year, please tick here:

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If changes are required or you are a new customer, please complete your details below:

| Send Test Materials to:             | Send Invoices to:                   |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Contact name: <input type="text"/>  | Contact name: <input type="text"/>  |
| Department: <input type="text"/>    | Department: <input type="text"/>    |
| Company: <input type="text"/>       | Company: <input type="text"/>       |
| Address: <input type="text"/>       | Address: <input type="text"/>       |
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| County: <input type="text"/>        | County: <input type="text"/>        |
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| E-mail: <input type="text"/>        | E-mail: <input type="text"/>        |
| <input type="text"/>                | VAT no: <input type="text"/>        |

### Existing customers

If you would like to change your marketing preferences, please visit our [preference centre](#) or contact [axiopt.de@lgcgroup.com](mailto:axiopt.de@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

**All customers:** Customers who order microbiological samples must also complete and sign our [Customer Declaration on the Purchase of Microbiological Materials](#) and send it to [axiopt.de@lgcgroup.com](mailto:axiopt.de@lgcgroup.com).

**German customers only:** Customers who do not fall under an exception under §45 or §52 IfSG must also submit a copy of their valid access permit according to §44 IfSG.

By sending in 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.

## 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 a new sample as follows:

- Sample PT-HY-16 (Sink drain swab). This sample is available in round HY367 (November 2026)

### 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 European Union if a VAT Registration Number is not provided.
- 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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