



Food and Environmental Proficiency Testing Unit

Laboratory identification no. (check): <Lab No>
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<https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/external-quality-assessment-ega-and-proficiency-testing-pt-for-food-water-and-environmental-microbiology#recreational-and-surface-water-scheme>

Results to be returned on-line through the website: www.phe-ega.org.uk/

You will need your log-in details for this process.

Download the on-line web instructions: https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/727115/FEPTU756.pdf

Recreational and Surface Water Scheme Request/Report Form - Bathing Beach (Marine) Waters

Distribution No: S113

Sample numbers: S113A and S113B

Download the sample instruction sheet. A video on sample processing is located further down the webpage:

www.gov.uk/government/publications/recreational-and-surface-water-scheme-sample-instruction-sheets

Download the safety data sheet:

www.gov.uk/government/publications/safety-data-sheet-for-lenticules

If you cannot examine any of these samples return your results as 'Not examined'

Request:

A water sample from a bathing beach:

Determine the levels of micro-organisms as indicated in the table on the next page and examine the sample for *Salmonella*. Use your routine methods.

- Two LENTICULE® discs per sample are provided, one to be used for indicator enumerations and the other for the *Salmonella* examination.
- Dilutions may be required for all enumerations
- Only undertake the examinations that you would perform routinely for this type of sample.
- If you do not examine for one or more parameters enter 'NE' in the relevant box.

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Results:

Enumeration	Method used		Not Examined	S113A	S113B
<i>Escherichia coli</i> in 100mL	MPN	<input type="checkbox"/> Colilert® (18/250)			
		<input type="checkbox"/> Colisure®			
		<input type="checkbox"/> Tube combinations			
		<input type="checkbox"/> Other			
	Membrane filtration	<input type="checkbox"/> Chromogenic coliform agar			
		<input type="checkbox"/> MLGA			
		<input type="checkbox"/> MLSA			
		<input type="checkbox"/> MLSB			
		<input type="checkbox"/> TBX			
		<input type="checkbox"/> Tergitol 7 (TTC)			
		<input type="checkbox"/> Other			
Enterococci in 100mL	MPN	<input type="checkbox"/> Enterolert (E/DW/250)			
		<input type="checkbox"/> Other			
	Membrane filtration	<input type="checkbox"/> Enterococcus agar			
		<input type="checkbox"/> S+B			
		<input type="checkbox"/> Other			
<i>Salmonella</i> spp. Per L		<input type="checkbox"/> PCR			
		<input type="checkbox"/> VIDAS			
		<input type="checkbox"/> Other			
	Membrane filtration	<input type="checkbox"/> Enrichment BGA			
		<input type="checkbox"/> Enrichment other			
		<input type="checkbox"/> Enrichment XLD			
		<input type="checkbox"/> ISO 19250:2010			

Enter additional microbiologist's comments if you wish to do so:

Authorised by:

Date reported: