

EUROPEAN FOOD MICROBIOLOGY LEGISLATION SCHEME

Regulation (EC) 2073/2005 Microbiological Criteria for Foodstuffs associated with
Regulation (EC) 852/2004 and subsequent amendments

food microbiology examinations

Sample schedule for 1 April 2025 to 31 March 2026

Distribution number	Sample numbers	Dispatch date	Date results due by	Food category	Examinations and enumerations required
EFL71	EFL211 EFL212 EFL213	12/05/2025	13/06/2025	Meat	According to the Food Safety or Process Hygiene Criteria
EFL72	EFL214 EFL215 EFL216	01/09/2025	03/10/2025	Dairy	
EFL73	EFL217 EFL218 EFL219	03/11/2025	05/12/2025	Ready to eat product	
EFL74	EFL220 EFL221 EFL222	26/01/2026	27/02/2026	Miscellaneous	