

ENVIRONMENTAL SWAB SCHEME

environmental microbiology examinations

Sample schedule for 1 April 2026 to 31 March 2027

Distribution number	Sample numbers	Dispatch date	Date results due by	Examinations required
ES41	ES0081 ES0082	11/05/2026	05/06/2026	Relevant pathogen relating to outbreak details as provided on the request form – note the list below is not exhaustive <i>Bacillus cereus</i> <i>Campylobacter</i> spp. Coagulase-positive staphylococci <i>Escherichia coli</i> O157 <i>Listeria monocytogenes</i> <i>Salmonella</i> spp.
ES42	ES0083 ES0084	07/09/2026	02/10/2026	<u>Enumeration of hygiene indicator organisms</u> Aerobic colony count <i>Bacillus cereus</i> <i>Escherichia coli</i> <i>Enterobacteriaceae</i> <i>Listeria</i> spp.
ES43	ES0085 ES0086	02/11/2026	27/11/2026	Relevant pathogen relating to outbreak details as provided on the request form – note the list below is not exhaustive <i>Bacillus cereus</i> <i>Campylobacter</i> spp. Coagulase-positive staphylococci <i>Escherichia coli</i> O157 <i>Listeria monocytogenes</i> <i>Salmonella</i> spp.
ES44	ES0087 ES0088	08/03/2027	02/04/2027	<u>Enumeration of hygiene indicator organisms</u> Aerobic colony count <i>Bacillus cereus</i> <i>Escherichia coli</i> <i>Enterobacteriaceae</i> <i>Listeria</i> spp.