

Instructions for Filing Out Lab Request Forms

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<u>PURPOSE</u>: Instructions for filling out lab request forms when submitting samples to the Westfield Laboratory.

SCOPE: These instructions are for both the Chemistry and Microbiology Labs.

NOTES / REQUIRED DOCUMENTS:

- 1. Information on the Lab Analysis Request form & sample bottles should be legible.
- 2. Lab Analysis Request forms can also be filled out electronically & subsequently printed.
- 3. Lab Analysis Request Form are as follows:
 - a. Chemistry Lab Form CL101a
 - b. Microbiological Lab Form ML101a
- 4. A Lab Analysis Request form is required for all samples submitted to the lab for analysis.
- 5. Taping the lids to the sample bottles with a vinyl type tape (electrical tape) helps minimize leakage during shipping.

Chemistry Lab Analysis Request Form (CL101a)

PROCEDURE:

- 1. Fill out the top portion of the form as follows:
 - a. Customer Name as it appears in our ERP system (no abbreviations)
 - b. Ship to number associated with this specific customer.
 - i. If this is a prospect account, please leave this section blank.
 - c. Payment type
 - i. No charge/Contract
 - ii. Prospect Account
 - iii. Charge PO is required prior to analysis being performed.
 - A lab order submitted without a Customer PO MUST have Vice President or Regional Manager approval prior to analysis being performed.
 - d. Email Contact
 - i. The report will be emailed to the field representative & manager of the account.
 - e. Sampler Name (no initials)
 - f. Date Sampled & Time Zone
 - g. Analysis Lead Time
 - i. Standard lead time for water, deposit & glycol sample is 5 working days.
 - ii. Standard lead time for corrosion coupons is 10 working days.
 - iii. Expedited lead time for water, glycol & coupon sample is 1-2 working days.
 - iv. Expedited lead time for deposit sample is 3 working days.
 - v. 100% surcharge is applied for expedited requests.
- 2. Fill in sample information.
 - a. Sample name
 - i. This will be the sample name on the report, including abbreviations.
 - ii. This name needs to be the same as the one on the sample bottles.
 - iii. Examples: make up water, city water, boiler, feedwater, cooling tower, closed loop, B134 glycol loop & etc.
 - b. Date sampled



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- c. Matrix of sample
- d. Glycol Type
 - i. This is required when submitting a glycol sample.
- e. Field Results
 - i. These will be on the final report.
- f. Analysis Item Number Request (see page 2 of the lab request form).
 - i. Enter the item number(s) associated with the analysis you are requesting.
 - ii. See Chemistry Lab Analytical Packages & Price List (CL102) for sample size requirements.

Microbiological Lab Analysis Request Form

PROCEDURE:

- 1. Fill out the top portion of the form as follows:
 - a. Customer Name as it appears in our ERP system (no abbreviations)
 - b. Ship to number associated with this specific customer.
 - i. If this is a prospect account, please leave blank.
 - c. Payment type
 - i. No charge/Contract
 - ii. Prospect Account
 - iii. Charge PO is required prior to analysis being performed.
 - 1. A lab order submitted without a Customer PO MUST have Vice President or Regional Manager approval prior to analysis being performed.
 - d. Email Contact
 - i. The report will be emailed to the field representative & manager of the account.
 - e. Sampler Name (no initials)
 - f. Date Sampled & Time Zone
 - g. Sample by Apex Tech.
 - i. Please indicate if Apex personnel took the sample.
 - ii. The number of sampling hours also includes your drive time.
 - iii. There is a \$135 per hour charge for on-site sampling by an Apex employee.
- 2. Fill in sample information.
 - a. ID#
 - i. This is used when taking multiple samples. Number the bottles with an ID number, customer name, sample name & time sample was taken.
 - b. Building/Area Name
 - i. Examples: Bldg. A, Cancer Center, ICU, Lobby & etc.
 - c. Floor Number
 - d. Room Number
 - e. Outlet Type
 - i. Examples: sink, shower, bath sink, drinking fountain, cooling tower, decorative fountain, ice machine, incoming main water, clinical sink, water heater & etc.
 - f. Source Water
 - i. Examples: cold, hot, mixed, sample port, basin, ice & etc.



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g. Sample Type

- i. Potable: drinking water, sink, shower, drinking fountain, ice machine, incoming water, water heater, swimming pool & etc.
- ii. Non-Potable: non-drinking water, cooling tower, decorative fountain & etc.
- iii. Swabs are typically used during cluster or outbreak investigations. These can be from potable or non-potable water sources.

h. Time Sampled

i. Samples must be received by the lab within 48 hours of when the 1st sample was drawn if ice packs are NOT used. If ice packs are used & the sample is kept between 40-50 °F, the samples can be received by the lab within 72 hours of when the 1st sample was drawn.

i. Field Results

- i. If field results are taken, they will be in the *Legionella* report.
- j. Analysis Item Number Request (see page 2 of the lab request form).
 - i. Enter the item number(s) associated with the analysis you are requesting.
 - ii. If multiple analyses are needed from the same water source, please contact Lab Customer Service at <u>LabCS@TeamApex.com</u> for sample size requirements.