



## **HYGIENE MONITORING SECTION**

### **Services rendered by the section**

#### 1. Hygiene

- Water Potability (Total Plate Count, Coliforms and *E. coli*)
- Milk Products e.g. Cheese, juice (Total Plate Count, Coliforms and *E. coli*)
- Meat hygiene (Total Plate Count, Salmonella, Coliforms and *E. coli*)
- Hygiene monitoring e.g. Contact plates, exposure plates (Total Plate Count)
- Surface Swabs e.g. Equipment swabs (Total Plate Count, Salmonella, Coliforms and *E. coli*)
- Hand Swabs (Total Plate Count, Salmonella, *S. aureus*, Coliforms and *E. coli*)
- Feed, Food and Food Products e.g. Bread, Pies, Pastries, Pet Food (Total Plate Count, Salmonella, Coliforms and *E. coli*)

#### 2. *Salmonella enteritidis* (SE)

The following samples can be tested for SE in the Hygiene Monitoring Section:

- Meconium, fluff, dead-in-shell, pre-incubated eggs, litter, nest box inserts, drag swabs, feed and dust.

### **Collection and sending of samples**

- All samples submitted must be clearly marked with an identification number using a permanent marker. All samples for hygiene monitoring must reach the laboratory within a period of six hours. Samples in transit must be placed in a cooler bag with ice packs.
- The laboratory's current submission form must be comprehensively completed and submitted with samples.



### **Test Fees**

Please refer to the current test and fees list or contact the laboratory for fees on tests requested.

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