

Terms of the proficiency test (PT)

DLA ptAUS4 (2023) - Seafood-Screening – 6 Samples qualitative: Bonito (*Katsuwonus pelamis*), Cod Fish (*Gadus morhua*), Rainbow Trout (*Oncorhynchus mykiss*), White Tiger Shrimp (*Penaeus vannamei*) and one of the Cephalopods: Octopus (*Octopus vulgaris*) or Jumbo Squid (*Dosidicus gigas*) (freeze-dried, 5 samples (10g each) with only one of the indicated species, 6th sample (10g) mixed sample of 2-4 species)

Test material* :

There are **6 different samples** possibly containing the **parameters Bonito (*Katsuwonus pelamis*), Cod Fish (*Gadus morhua*), Rainbow Trout (*Oncorhynchus mykiss*), White Tiger Shrimp (*Penaeus vannamei*) and one of the Cephalopods: Octopus (*Octopus vulgaris*) or Jumbo Squid (*Dosidicus gigas*)** for qualitative determination. The parameters are present in the matrix freeze-dried fish/crustaceae/mollusc product. Samples 1-5 contain only one fish-/crustaceae-/mollusc species, each. The 6th sample contains 2-4 fish-/crustaceae-/mollusc species.

Sample weight: 6 Samples 10 g each.

* Note: Control of mixture homogeneity and qualitative testings are carried out by DLA. Any testing of the content, homogeneity and stability of PT parameters is subcontracted by DLA.

Methods + realisation time:

Analytical methods for quantitative determinations are optional.

There is a 6 weeks period for performing the analysis. The results are transmitted online via our customer portal.

Evaluation report:

The **evaluation** is carried out **strictly qualitatively** (positive/negative) with indication of the obtained agreements with the consensus values of the participants and the spiking of samples 1-6. All results including quantitative results, limits of detection and/or quantification and remarks to the methods will be documented. DLA intends to finish the evaluation report within 6 weeks after deadline of results submission.

Each participant receives an anonymized, complete evaluation report as a PDF-file, identifying the own results by individual code in case payment was done

and can object in writing to the evaluation within 6 weeks.

Registration :

The reliable order can be sent to DLA or our authorized sales partner.

Further information and an online registration form can be found at www.dla-lvu.de.

Registration deadline is **November 15th 2023**.

Shipment + number of participants:

Required minimum number of participants is 10.

The samples will be sent to participants in the **week 47** by parcel service with tracking (delivery time 2-5 days within Europe, 2-10 days worldwide).

Deadline of result submission:

Last date for submission of results **January 5th 2024**.

Invoice + price :

Invoicing will be done by DLA along with the sample shipment or by our authorized partner in parallel to the sample shipment.

The price of the proficiency test is 410 € per participant plus shipping and possible tax.

Costs for **double sample material** € 90,00.

Please note: there can be a handling charge of approx. € 30,00 for payments from non-EU countries.

Shipping costs: within Germany € 12,50, EU-countries and Europe € 20,00, North America € 30,00 - 65,00, other countries approx. € 80,00 (e.g. South America, Asia), all shipping prices are provisional and subject to change.

Our General Terms and Conditions GTC apply: www.dla-lvu.de/AGB.html

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