



SAMPLE PREPARATION INSTRUCTIONS

Potable water coliforms set of ten (WS0800/NS0800) Whole Volume Instructions

Description of the Sample Set: This standard consists of ten separate microbiology samples. Each of the bottles is labeled with a number 1 - 10.

Storage of the Sample Set: These are whole volume samples and therefore should be analyzed as soon as possible. Treat these samples as you would any other bacteriological samples. If analysis must be delayed, store at 4°C and bring to room temperature before testing.

Before You Begin:

- We recommend that the quality control guidelines in *Standard Methods for the Examination of Water and Wastewater*, Section 9020B be followed to determine media acceptability prior to analysis.
- This standard contains viable microorganisms and should be analyzed as soon as possible after arrival.

Preparation Instructions:

1. These are whole volume samples and require no preparation.
2. Run them the same as any other sample.
3. When your analysis is done, report your results as Presence/Absence on the provided answer sheet.
4. Follow all laboratory safety guidelines for microbiological testing.
5. Properly disinfect any spills and sterilize all wastes according to appropriate regulations before disposal.