






Testing Code 2021

	Change/Clarification to existing requirement – Testing facility may have to update procedures
	New requirement – Testing facility likely to need to update procedures

TESTING

T2 FACILITIES		
T2.2 UPDATED R	A record must be made of any corrective action taken to remedy any external factors that could compromise accurate results.	Confirming that a record is required for any Corrective Action taken
T3 EQUIPMENT		
T3.1.a NEW	Equipment must be used for the purpose for which it was designed and within its operating range.	NEW Clause Wording moved from Guidance
T4 TESTING FACILITY MANAGEMENT		
T4.1.a NEW R	The Testing Facility must comply with the Designated Person/s and Organisation Chart sections of the TASCC General Code.	NEW Clause
T4.1.c UPDATED	A designated person must be based at each site as responsible for the day to day operation.	'available' changed to 'based'
T4.2 UPDATED	Testing Facility personnel must be independent of day to day trading pressures.	'should' changed to 'must'
T5 PERSONNEL TRAINING		Title change from Staff to Personnel
T5.1.b NEW	Samples for demonstrating personnel competency must cover a typical range of analysis results for each commodity and parameter tested.	NEW Clause
T5.2 UPDATED R	All personnel (permanent and temporary) carrying out testing must complete the relevant AHDB on-line training modules for those tests undertaken.	Additional requirement for temporary staff to complete AHDB training
T6 SUPPLIERS		
T6.1.b UPDATED R	An annual review of these critical suppliers must be documented.	'Annual' replaces 'Regular'
T12 INTERNAL QUALITY CONTROL		
Internal QC aims to demonstrate that results are consistent, and the method is under control.		
T12.2.a UPDATED R	Values for IQC checks must be prepared in-house following AHDB Guidance.	Samples may still be obtained from third parties, but value must be established following instructions in Quality Assurance module of AHDB online training
T12.3.b NEW	These checks must be within the maximum tolerances permitted which are given in the AHDB– Standards Values for Testing (Appendix 17)	NEW Clause For Balances/Dispensers/measuring cylinders

	https://www.agindustries.org.uk/resource/appendix-17-tascc-ahdb-cereals-standards-for-testing.html 	
T12.4 UPDATED 	<p>Where IQC results fall outside the warning and action limits corrective action must be taken and recorded following the AHDB On-line Combinable Crop Analyst Training Module (Quality Assurance Module GO5). https://ahdb.talentlms.com/</p> 	Context changed to emphasize that corrective action must be taken
T12.5 NEW 	<p>Where IQC results indicate an offset or drift, corrective action must be taken and recorded following the AHDB On-line Combinable Crop Analyst Training Module (Quality Assurance Module GO5). https://ahdb.talentlms.com/</p> 	NEW Clause Facilities must take action when offset and/or drift is seen
T13 PROFICIENCY (“RING”) TESTS (PT)		
T13.2.a UPDATED	<p>The scheme must be operated by an organisation listed by AIC (in Appendix 15) or an accredited PT provider (ISO or UKAS).</p>	PT Provider must be listed by AIC