

Test Code 2056

Water, Potable, Heterotrophic Plate Count with dilution

Turnaround Time: 2-3 Day

This test code is designed to quantitate bacterial levels in water according to Standard Methods for the Examination of Water and Wastewater to meet the EPA Federal Guidelines for drinking water of less than 500 cfu/mL.

DO NOT SHIP ON FRIDAY

Sampling:

1. Obtain a sterile 120 mL bottle with Sodium Thiosulfate container from Aerobiology.
2. Collect a 100 mL of water from the tap or reservoir in the sterile container making sure the inside of the container is not contaminated by the collector.
3. Keep the water in a cooler and an ice pack for transportation to the laboratory.
4. The water sample must reach the laboratory within 24 hours of collection or the sample will be deemed invalid.

HPC Sample must be received by the laboratory Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday ONLY. Sample received on Thursday or Friday will require a weekend fee and must be scheduled in advance.