

FOOD TESTING LABORATORIES

Time/Temperature Control for Safety (TCS)

Is your food item a TCS food or not? To have food products tested (at the expense of the food establishment operator), contact an accredited laboratory and ask for the tests listed below. The laboratories listed are provided as a convenience, not an endorsement.

You may use any accredited laboratory.

The laboratory must use AOAC methods of analysis.

- 1. Water activity (a_w)
- 2. Range of acidity (pH)
- 3. Interaction between a_w & pH

Accredited Midwest Laboratories

Covance Laboratories Merieux Laboratories Madison, WI Chicago, IL (608) 442-8200 (312) 938-5151

Diebel Laboratories R & F Laboratories Lincolnwood, IL Downers Grove, IL (847) 329-9900 (630) 969-5300

After product testing, submit laboratory test results to CUPHD/CCPHD for evaluation and approval of products.

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