

# RLP/MWPF Timetable – New Zealand Meat Chem, Meat Micro, Pathogens, Food & Water

January to December 2024



Despatch (Round)	Despatch Date	Results Due	Meat Chem	Meat Micro	Pathogens	Food Micro	Water Micro
January (1)	Mon 08 Jan	Tue 23 Jan		MMC, MMP			
February (2)	Tue 30 Jan	Thu 15 Feb	MBM	MMC, MMP <sup>2</sup>	SL, LIS	FDM	WML, WMY <sup>9</sup> , WMP <sup>7</sup>
March (3)	Mon 26 Feb	Thu 14 Mar		MMC, MMP	SL	SFM	WMQ <sup>6</sup> , WMR
April (4)	Tue 02 Apr	Thu 18 Apr	MBM	MMC, MMP	CSK, VIB	FDM	WMP <sup>7</sup> , WMX <sup>8</sup> , WMS, WMV
May (5)	Mon 29 Apr	Tue 14 May		MMC, MMP	CMP, SL	SFM	WME, WMQ <sup>6</sup>
June (6)	Mon 27 May	Thu 13 Jun	MBM, TAL <sup>3</sup>	MMC, MMP	CME, NST <sup>4</sup>	FDM	WML, WMY <sup>9</sup> , WMP <sup>7</sup>
July (7)	Tue 02 Jul	Wed 17 Jul		MMC, MMP	SL	SFM	WMR
August (8)	Mon 29 Jul	Tue 13 Aug	MBM	MMC, MMP <sup>2</sup>	VIB	FDM	WME, WMP <sup>7</sup> , WMX <sup>8</sup>
September (9)	Mon 02 Sep	Tue 17 Sep		MMC, MMP	CMP, LIS, SL	SFM	WMQ <sup>6</sup> , WMR
October (10)	Mon 30 Sep	Tue 15 Oct	MBM	MMC, MMP	CME, CSK, NST <sup>4</sup>	FDM	WME, WMP <sup>7</sup> , WMS, WMV
November (11)	Tue 29 Oct	Thu 14 Nov		MMC, MMP	SL		WML, WMY <sup>9</sup> , WMQ <sup>6</sup>
December (12)	Mon 25 Nov	Tue 10 Dec		MMC, MMP		FDM	WMP <sup>7</sup>

**Notes:** 1. RLP Laboratories undertaking MPI Official tests in the following products **must participate in the Designated Rounds stipulated below:**

- Potable Water (WMP): **2, 4, 6, 8, 10 and 12**, incl. *C. perfringens* spores offered in all 6 rounds in 2024.
  - Potable Water (WMP): **2, 4, 8 and 10** for test code **11.6.1**
  - Food Microbiology (FDM): **2, 4, 8 and 10**
  - Shellfish Microbiology (SFM): **3, 5, 7 and 9** for test code **11.6.2 / 11.8.1**
  - Meat Microbiology (MMC/MMP): Eleven of the twelve rounds offered.
2. **Meat Microbiology:** *S. aureus* testing is offered in months **2 and 8**.
3. The **Tallow (TAL)** category may be discontinued if there are not enough participants to make this viable.
4. **STEC** = Shiga toxin-producing *Escherichia coli* (including O157:H7).
5. Our **WaterChek Chemistry programme** has a separate Timetable – please ask if you would like a copy.
6. **Water Microbiology (WMQ):** “Potable P/A” = Presence/Absence for *Total coliforms* and *E. coli* only, utilising rapid test technology.
7. **Potable Water (WMP):** In 2024 Rounds **2, 4, 6, 8, 10 and 12** will include *C. perfringens* spores.
8. **Potable Water (WMX):** Rounds **4 and 8** include the additional test *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* in a separate sample set.
9. **Pool Water (WMY):** Rounds **2, 6 and 11** include the additional test *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* in a separate sample set.

## CONTACT DETAILS

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## CATEGORY KEY

Meat Chemistry	
<b>MBM</b>	2 x Meat & Bonemeal
<b>TAL</b>	2 x Tallow

Meat Microbiology	
<b>MMC</b>	2 x Meat FDV
<b>MMP</b>	1 x Meat FDV + Product

Pathogens	
<b>CME</b>	2 x <i>Campylobacter</i> Enumeration
<b>CMP</b>	4 x <i>Campylobacter</i> Presence/Absence
<b>CSK</b>	3 x <i>Cronobacter</i> spp. Presence/Absence (+ matrix)
<b>LIS</b>	2 x <i>Listeria</i> Enumeration
<b>NST</b>	4 x STEC <sup>4</sup> incl <i>E. coli</i> O157:H7 Presence/Absence (+ matrix)
<b>SL</b>	4 x <i>Salmonella</i> + <i>Listeria</i> + <i>Shigella</i> Presence/Absence
<b>VIB</b>	4 x <i>Vibrio parahaemolyticus</i> Presence/Absence

Food Microbiology	
<b>FDM</b>	2 x Food Micro
<b>SFM</b>	2 x Shellfish Micro (+ matrix)

Water Microbiology	
<b>WME</b>	2 x Effluent Water
<b>WML</b>	2 x Pool Water
<b>WMY</b>	2 x Pool Water ( <i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i> )
<b>WMP</b>	2 x Potable Water
<b>WMX</b>	2 x Potable Water ( <i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i> )
<b>WMQ</b>	2 x Potable Water – Presence/Absence
<b>WMR</b>	2 x Receiving Water
<b>WMS</b>	2 x Seawater
<b>WMV</b>	2 x Seawater (Enterococci MPN)