

# Global Proficiency's NewsChek

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## WaterChek Chemistry

Global Proficiency's WaterChek Chemistry programme has been designed as a multi-purpose scheme providing test verification across a wide range of water sources and chemistry tests. These are provided as two-sample sets and can be despatched to most destinations worldwide.

The range of water types offered include Potable Water, Effluent and Sea Water. As part of our Potable Water programme, we offer a Basic Chemistry round in June. This enables labs who only require a few tests to be able to meet their accreditation requirements. Basic Chemistry includes the following tests:

### Base Set

- pH
- Conductivity
- Turbidity
- Total suspended solids

### Water Chlorine Standard (optional)

- Total chlorine
- Free available chlorine

For more information please contact our team: [enquiries@global-proficiency.com](mailto:enquiries@global-proficiency.com)



## BeverageChek QCMs

After each BeverageChek proficiency round, we normally have a selection of beverage products characterised from the proficiency round available as Quality Control Materials (QCMs). At present we have wine, and fruit juice (apple, orange, grape) available.

Some analytes are less stable long term, for example SO<sub>2</sub> in wine and Ascorbic acid in fruit juice. When offering these tests, products have a shorter shelf life. Upon expiry can be re-characterised after removing less stable analytes and made available longer term for the remaining tests.

For a list of available BeverageChek QCMs, please visit our website

<https://www.global-proficiency.com/food-and-beverage-rms>

If you have any questions or to order please email: [sales@global-proficiency.com](mailto:sales@global-proficiency.com)



## Upcoming Rounds

Please see below our upcoming rounds and QC despatches for April and May.

### April

- DairyChek (Rd 4)
- MilkChek (Rd 4)
- LipidChek (Rd 4)
- VT UHT Products (Rd 4)
- WaterChek Chem (Rd 5)
- NurtureChek (Rd 5)
- TimberChek (Rd 5)
- MWPF (Rd 5&6)
- Raw Cream QC (14495)

### May

- DairyChek (Rd 5)
- BeverageChek (Rd 5)
- MilkChek (Rd 5)
- VT UHT Products (Rd 5)
- VT AM (Rd 5)
- WaterChek Chem (Rd 6)
- VeriCal (1007)
- Raw Cream QC (14496)

To participate in any of the rounds above please contact our team at [registrations@global-proficiency.com](mailto:registrations@global-proficiency.com)

## Shipping Packaging for Micro samples

We ship internationally to a range of destinations worldwide, from New Caledonia to Norway. Upon quotation, we provide a packaging recommendation based on the samples ordered. One of the customised packaging options we regularly use is our **Ultra-Freeze Plus**.

The manufacturer adapted their Ultra-Freeze product to meet Global Proficiency's unique requirements. It is designed to keep freeze-dried vials frozen for at least 9 days, and is certified for Packing Instructions 620 (UN2814) and 650 (UN3373) under the IATA (International Air Transport Association) Dangerous Goods Regulations.

This means our products remain frozen during shipment and do not require chilled transit or complex customs clearance procedures. As this packaging can hold up to 60 micro vials, we recommend combining with other orders such as PT samples or Quality Control Materials, to optimise the available space.

**Conditions:** Below 0°C for up to 9 days (internally verified)

**Uses:** Freeze dried micro vials



## Meet The Team



Vansh Agrawal joined Global Proficiency back in November 2022 as a Despatch & Logistics Assistant at our Melbourne, Australia site.

He is currently at university studying criminology and law. He is also interested in pursuing a commerce degree to explore the corporate world.

Outside of work Vansh enjoys playing sports, cars and going on drives to learn/explore new things.

## Annual Customer Survey Update

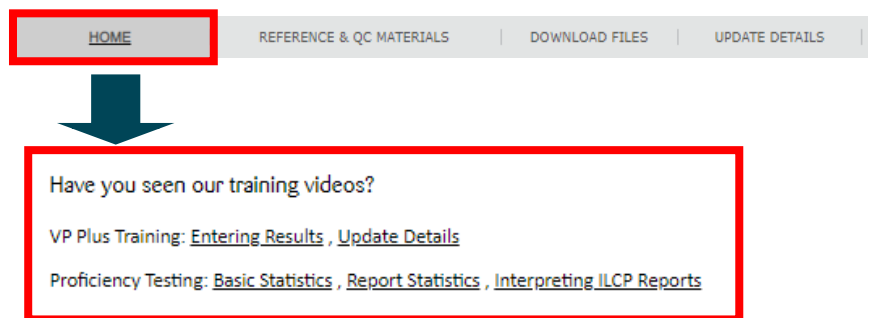
We recently undertook our annual Proficiency Testing Customer Survey for 2023. Thank you to everyone who took the time to complete the survey and our team will seek to follow up on areas including those who registered interest in new tests/rounds being offered.

## VP+ Tips – Have you seen our training videos?

When you log into VP+ Customer portal, did you know we have videos that can assist you entering results into VP Plus but also general information about Proficiency testing?

These videos are located in our VP+ customer portal home page and include:

- **VP Plus Training:** Entering Results and Update Details
- **Proficiency Testing:** Basic Statistics, Report Statistics and Interpreting ILCP Reports.



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