



NHLS PROFICIENCY TESTING SCHEME
2023/24 Shipping Schedule

NB: Where one shipping date is supplied for two or more surveys: These surveys are shipped on the same day

CHEMICAL PATHOLOGY SCHEMES

SCHEME	Survey #	0123	0223	0323	0423	0523	0623	0723	0823	0923	1023
General Chemistry(GC)	Shipping date	01-05 May 2023									
	Results submission	19 May 2023	09 June 2023	07 July 2023	11 August 2023	08 September 2023	16 October 2023	10 November 2023	08 December 2023	12 January 2024	09 February 2024
	Reports date	02 June 2023	30 June 2023	28 July 2023	28 August 2023	29 September 2023	27 October 2023	27 November 2023	22 December 2023	26 January 2024	23 February 2024
Therapeutic Drugs Monitoring (TDM)	Survey #	S23-01	S23-02	S23-03	S23-04	S23-05					
	Shipping date	10-14 April 2023									
	Results submission	28 April 2023	09 June 2023	11 August 2023	08 December 2023	02 February 2024					
	Reports date	12 May 2023	23 June 2023	25 August 2023	22 December 2023	16 February 2024					
Blood Gas (BG)	Survey #	0123	0223	0323	0423	0523					
	Shipping date	10-14 APRIL									
	Results submission	19 May 2023	14 July 2023	15 September 2023	10 November 2023	12 January 2024					
	Reports date	03 July 2023	31 July 2023	29 September 2023	24 November 2023	26 January 2024					
Endocrinology (E)	Survey #	0123	0223	0323	0423	0523					
	Shipping date	10-14 APRIL									
	Results submission	16 June 2023	11 August 2023	13 October 2023	08 December 2023	09 February 2024					
	Reports date	30 June 2023	29 August 2023	30 October 2023	22 December 2023	26 February 2024					
Cardiac Markers (CM)	Survey #	0123	0223	0323	0423	0523					
	Shipping date	01-05 May 2023									
	Results submission	19 May 2023	07 July 2023	08 September 2023	08 December 2023	01 March 2024					
	Reports date	31 May 2023	21 July 2023	22 September 2023	22 December 2023	15 March 2024					
C-Reactive Protein (CRP)	Survey #	S23-01	S23-02	S23-03	S23-04						
	Shipping date	01-04 August 2023									
	Results submission	11 August 2023	06 October 2023	08 December 2023	02 February 2024						
	Reports date	25 August 2023	20 October 2023	22 December 2023	16 February 2024						
Beta- Human chorionic gonadotropin (BHCG)	Survey #	0123	0223	0323	0423						
	Shipping date	10-14 Apr 2023	03-07 Jul 2023	02-06 Oct 2023	08-12 Jan 2024						
	Results submission	28 April 2023	21 July 2023	20 October 2023	26 January 2024						
	Reports date	13 May 2023	04 August 2023	03 November 2023	09 February 2024						

HAEMATOLOGY SCHEMES

SCHEME	Survey #	S23-01	S23-02	S23-03	S23-04	S23-05	S23-06	S23-07	S03-08	S23-09	S23-10
Full/Complete Blood Count (FBC)	Shipping date	01-05 May 2023									
	Results submission	26 May 2023	13 June 2023	21 July 2023	15 August 2023	22 September 2023	10 October 2023	24 November 2023	05 December 2023	26 January 2024	06 February 2024
	Reports date	16 June 2023	04 July 2023	11 August 2023	05 September 2023	13 October 2023	31 October 2023	15 December 2023	22 December 2023	06 February 2024	27 February 2024

Morphology and Manual and Automated Differential Count Scheme

SCHEME	Survey #	S23-01	S23-02	S23-03	S23-04	S23-05	S23-06	S23-07	S23-08	S23-09	S23-10
Morphology Manual and Differential Count	Shipping date	01-05 May 2023									
	Results submission	26 May 2023	23 June 2023	21 July 2023	25 August 2023	22 September 2023	20 October 2023	24 November 2023	08 December 2023	26 January 2024	09 February 2024
	Reports date	16 June 2023	14 July 2023	11 August 2023	15 September 2023	13 October 2023	10 November 2023	15 December 2023	05 January 2024	16 February 2024	01 March 2024
SCHEME	Survey #	0123	0223	0323	0423						
Automated Differential Count	Shipping date	01-05 May 2023	31 July-04 Aug 2023	06 - 10 Nov 2023	05 - 09 Feb 2024						
	Results submission	19 May 2023	18 August 2023	24 November 2023	23 February 2024						
	Reports date	05 June 2023	31 August 2023	08 December 2023	08 March 2024						

Reticulocyte count – Manual and Automated

SCHEME	Survey #	0123	0223	0323	0423
Reticulocyte count - Manual (RCM)	Shipping date	01-05 May 2023	31 July-04 Aug 2023	06 - 10 Nov 2023	05 - 09 Feb 2024
	Results submission	19 May 2023	18 August 2023	17 November 2023	16 February 2024
	Reports date	03 July 2023	02 October 2023	02 December 2023	03 March 2024
Reticulocyte count - Automated (RCA)	Survey #	0123	0223	0323	0423
	Shipping date	01-05 May 2023	31 Jul-04 Aug 2023	06 - 10 Nov 2023	05 - 09 Feb 2024
	Results submission	19 May 2023	18 August 2023	24 November 2023	16 February 2024
Erythrocyte sedimentation rate (ESR) S	Shipping date	10-14 April 2023			
	Results submission	28 April 2023	21 July 2023	20 October 2023	26 January 2024
	Reports date	05 May 2023	04 August 2023	03 November 2023	09 February 2024

Coagulation Scheme

SCHEME	Survey #	0123	0223	0323	0423
Coagulation - D-Dimer	Shipping date	11-14 Apr 2023			
	Results submission	28 April 2023	14 July 2023	06 October 2023	17 January 2024
	Reports date	12 May 2023	28 July 2023	20 October 2023	31 January 2024
Coagulation - PT, INR, APTT	Survey #	S23-01	S23-02	S23-03	S23-04
	Shipping date	01-05 May 2023			
	Results submission	19 May 2023	07 July 2023	08 September 2023	10 November 2023
Microbiology Schemes	Shipping date	01-05 May 2023			
	Results submission	19 May 2023	07 July 2023	08 September 2023	10 November 2023
	Reports date	09 June 2023	28 July 2023	29 September 2023	01 December 2023

MICROBIOLOGY SCHEMES

SCHEME	Survey #	0123	0223	0323	0423
Bacteriology	Shipping date	01-05 May 2023		02-06 Oct 2022	
	Results submission	26 May 2023	25 August 2023	27 October 2023	26 January 2024
	Reports date	23 June 2023	22 September 2023	24 November 2023	29 February 2024
SCHEME	Survey #	0123	0223	0323	0423
TB Microscopy: Acid Fast Bacilli (AFB) Microscopy	Shipping date	05-09 Jun 2023		06-10 Nov 2023	
	Results submission	30 June 2023	15 September 2023	30 November 2023	16 February 2024
	Reports date	14 July 2023	29 September 2023	15 December 2023	01 March 2024
SCHEME	Survey #	0123	0223	0323	
TB Culture	Shipping date	05-09 June 2023	04 - 08 Sept 2023	04 - 08 Dec 2023	
	Results submission	04 August 2023	03 November 2023	02 February 2024	
	Reports date	18 August 2023	17 November 2023	16 February 2024	

Mycology Scheme

SCHEME	Survey #	0123	0223	0323	0423	
Mycology Yeasts-Basic & Advanced	Shipping date	01-05 May 2023		06 - 10 Nov 2023		
	Results submission	26 May 2023	11 August 2023	01 December 2023	09 February 2024	
	Reports date	16 June 2023	01 September 2023	22 December 2023	01 March 2024	
SCHEME	Survey #	0123&0223	0223	0423	0423	
Mycology Moulds	Shipping date	01-05 May 2023		06 - 10 Nov 2023		
	Results submission	02 June 2023	18 August 2023	08 December 2023	16 February 2024	
	Reports date	14 July 2023	08 September 2023	29 December 2023	08 March 2024	
SCHEME	Survey #	0123	0223	0323	0423	0523
Cryptococcal Antigen Lateral Flow Assay (CrAg - LFA) (X5)	Shipping date	01-05 May 2023	03-07 July 2023	04 - 08 Sept 2023	06-10 Nov 2023	05 - 09 Feb 2024
	Results submission	19 May 2023	21 July 2023	22 September 2023	24 November 2023	24 February 2024
	Reports date	02 June 2023	04 August 2023	06 October 2023	08 December 2023	08 March 2024
SCHEME	Survey #	0123	0223	0323		
Cryptococcal Antigen Lateral Flow Assay (CrAg - LFA) (X3)	Shipping date	01-05 May 2023	04 - 08 Sept 2023	05 - 09 Feb 2024		
	Results submission	19 May 2023	22 September 2023	24 February 2024		
	Reports date	02 June 2023	06 October 2023	08 March 2024		

Parasitology Scheme

SCHEME	Survey #	0123	0123	0223	
Stool/Faecal Parasites	Shipping date	03-07 July 2023	02-08 Oct 2023	08-12 Jan 2024	
	Results submission	28 July 2023	27 October 2023	02 February 2024	
	Reports date	18 August 2023	17 November 2023	23 February 2024	
SCHEME	Survey #	0123	0223	0323	
Blood Parasites	Shipping date	05-09 June 2023	04 - 08 Sept 2023	04 - 08 Dec 2023	
	Results submission	30 June 2023	29 September 2023	29 December 2023	
	Reports date	21 July 2023	20 October 2023	19 January 2024	
SCHEME	Survey #	0123	0223	0323	0423
Malaria RDT	Shipping date		01-05 May 2023		
	Results submission	19 May 2023	18 August 2023	10 November 2023	09 February 2024
	Reports date	01 June 2023	01 September 2023	01 December 2023	16 February 2024

Serology Scheme

Syphilis Scheme

SCHEME	Survey #	0123	0223	0323	0423
Syphilis: Non-Treponemal (RPR)	Shipping date	05-09 June 2023	31 July -04 Aug 2023	06 - 10 Nov 2023	05 - 09 Feb 2024
	Results submission	23 June 2023	18 August 2023	23 November 2023	02 - 09 Feb 2024
	Reports date	10 July 2023	31 August 2023	08 Dec 2023	08 March 2024
SCHEME	Survey #	0123	0223	0323	0423
Specific Treponemal (TPHA, TPPA, TPAB, Rapid Treponemal Test)	Shipping date		11-14 Apr 2023		
	Results submission	28 April 2023	09 June 2023	08 September 2023	08 December 2023
	Reports date	12 May 2023	23 June 2023	22 September 2023	22 December 2023

Human Immunodeficiency Virus Serology Scheme

SCHEME	Survey #	0123	0223	0323	0423
Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV - Routine) Serology Scheme	Shipping date	05-09 Jun 2023		06 - 10 Nov 2023	
	Results submission	30 June 2023	08 September 2023	30 November 2023	02 February 2024
	Reports date	14 July 2023	22 September 2023	15 December 2023	16 February 2024
SCHEME	Survey #	0123	0223		
Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV - POCT) Serology	Shipping date	17-28 April	11 - 22 Sept 2023		
	Results submission	15 June 2023	10 November 2023		
	Reports date	30 June 2023	24 November 2023		

Hepatitis Serology Scheme

SCHEME	Survey #	02 May 1900	0223	0323	0423
Hepatitis B Surface Antigen (HBsAg) Serology Scheme	Shipping date	05-09 June 2023		06 - 10 Nov 2023	
	Results submission	23 June 2023	18 August 2023	24 November 2023	23 February 2024
	Reports date	07 July 2023	01 September 2023	08 December 2023	08 March 2024
SCHEME	Survey #	0123	0223	0323	
Hepatitis A IgM Serology Scheme	Shipping date	05-09 June 2023	02 -06 Oct 2023	05 - 09 Feb 2024	
	Results submission	23 June 2023	20 October 2023	23 February 2024	
	Reports date	14 July 2023	03 November 2023	15 March 2024	

Molecular Biology Scheme

SCHEME	Survey #	0123	0223	0323	0423
SARS-CoV-2 Antigen Scheme	Shipping date	01-05 May 2023		08 - 10 Nov 2023	
	Results submission	26 May 2023	18 August 2023	01 December 2023	16 February 2024
	Reports date	09 June 2023	01 September 2023	15 December 2023	01 March 2024
SCHEME	Survey #	0123	0223	0323	0423
Early Infant Diagnosis (EID) of HIV	Shipping date	11-14 Apr 2023	03-07 July 2023	02 -06 Oct 2023	
	Results submission	05 May 2023	28 July 2023	27 October 2023	12 January 2024
	Reports date	19 May 2023	11 August 2023	10 November 2023	26 January 2024
SCHEME	Survey #	0123	0223	0323	0423
Viral Load Scheme	Shipping date	11-14 Apr 2023	03-07 July 2023	02 -06 Oct 2023	
	Results submission	05 May 2023	28 July 2023	27 October 2023	12 January 2024
	Reports date	19 May 2023	11 August 2023	10 November 2023	26 January 2024
SCHEME	Survey #	0123	0223	0323	0423
SARS-CoV-2 Molecular	Shipping date	05-09 June 2023		04 - 08 Dec 2023	
	Results submission	23 July 2023	15 September 2023	22 December 2023	09 February 2024
	Reports date	14 July 2023	29 September 2023	12 January 2024	01 March 2024
SCHEME	Survey #	0123	0223	0323	
Mycobacteriology Line Probe Assay Scheme (TB- LPA)	Shipping date	03-07 July 2023	02 -06 Oct 2023	08 - 12 Jan 2024	
	Results submission	28 July 2023	27 October 2023	02 February 2024	
	Reports date	14 August 2023	10 November 2023	16 February 2024	

Immune Monitoring Scheme

SCHEME	Survey #	0123	0223	0323	0423	0523
Flow cytometry (CD4 / T-Cell monitoring) (X5)	Shipping date	01-05 May 2023	03-07 July 2023	04 - 08 Sept 2023	06-10 Nov 2023	05 - 09 Feb 2024
	Results submission	26 May 2023	28 July 2023	29 September 2023	01 December 2023	01 March 2024
	Reports date	09 June 2023	11 August 2023	13 October 2023	15 December 2023	15 March 2024
SCHEME	Survey #	0123	0223	0323		
Flow cytometry (CD4 / T-Cell monitoring) (x3)	Shipping date	01-05 May 2023	04 - 08 Sept 2023	05 - 09 Feb 2024		
	Results submission	26 May 2023	29 September 2023	01 March 2024		
	Reports date	09 June 2023	13 October 2023	15 March 2024		