

Listeria monocytogenes

FSIS Scheduling Criteria for Routine *Lm* Risk-Based (RLm) Sampling Program (Mar 21, 2008; PDF Only)

FSIS provides the criteria used to identify establishments to be tested for *Listeria monocytogenes* in food contact, environmental, and product samples under the Routine Lm Risk-Based (RLm) Sampling Program.

Supplementary Guidance on the Use of Antimicrobial Agents to Control *Listeria Monocytogenes* in Post-Lethality Exposed Ready-to-Eat Meat and Poultry Products (Feb 11, 2008; PDF Only)

FSIS is issuing this guidance to establishments to reiterate and emphasize: 1) Resources on the validation and application of antimicrobial agents or processes for effective control of LM; 2) Recommendations on the validation and application of antimicrobial agents or processes; and 3) Sanitation practices to control *Listeria* in RTE operations.

Compliance Guidelines for the Interim Final Rule, "Control Of *Listeria monocytogenes* In Ready-To-Eat Products" (May 2006; PDF Only)

These guidelines help establishments producing Ready-to-Eat (RTE) meat and poultry products, especially small and very small establishments, in their use of control methods for *L. monocytogenes* to comply with the requirements of 9 CFR 430.

- [Updated Questions and Answers \(Q's and A's\) for the interim final rule, "Control of *Listeria monocytogenes* in Ready-to-Eat Meat and Poultry Products."](#) (May 2006; PDF Only)
- [Procedures for the Evaluation of Establishment Control Programs for *Listeria monocytogenes* \(Validation Checklist\)](#) (May 2006; PDF Only)
- See [Additional Related Documents](#)

Summary of *Listeria monocytogenes* Compliance Guideline for Small and Very Small Meat and Poultry Plants that Produce Ready-to-Eat Products (Apr 3, 2007; PDF Only)

This document is intended to assist small and very small meat and poultry plants that manufacture ready-to-eat (RTE) products to understand the regulatory requirements associated with the production of these products.

Verification Procedures for the *Listeria monocytogenes* Regulation and Microbial Sampling of Ready-to-Eat (RTE) Products for the FSIS Verification - FSIS Directive 10240.4 (Feb 3, 2009; PDF Only)

This directive provides direction to CSIs regarding the implementation of the new RLm sampling program including the three projects, RLMCONT, RLMENVR, and RLMPROD, as part of Phase 2 of the Agency's overall *L. monocytogenes* risk-based verification testing program.

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