

# Salford City Council

## Food Sampling Programme

September - December 2005



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## **Aim of Sampling Programme**

The sampling programme is an integral part of the food safety work and has to reflect the balance between food premises inspections, food complaint investigations and the allocated resources available. The programme takes account of

- experience from previous years sampling results,
- foods/premises that either manufacture or retail high risk products
- investigation of food complaints
- evaluation of temperature control, food handling, processing practices and the effectiveness of cleaning
- coordinated sampling initiatives ([detailed below](#))
- resources available

It is important that enough flexibility is included in the programme to allow for additional sampling activity to be determined during the year as emergencies or any other particular issues of concern arise.

The sampling provides Salford City Council with a co-ordinated programme through:

- Co-ordinated sampling initiatives with Manchester FLG/Lancashire FOG/Preston PHLS
- EC Directed Surveillance in conjunction with LACORS/PHLS
- End product testing of Vertical Directive Approved premises within the city of Salford, which contributes to the supporting evidence that HACCP plans are working.

The sampling results can be used in a number of ways to:

- Improve food hygiene standards within all categories of food businesses via education as well as supporting evidence in the enforcement of food safety where appropriate.

- Allow the evaluation of food businesses food safety systems.
- Act as an advisory/educative body to members of the public within the City of Salford.

The table below itemises the programme for the period September - December 2005

**Coordinated Surveys (September - December 2005) in conjunction with Greater Manchester FLG/Lancashire FLG/Preston FEMS (formally PHLS)**

<b>Survey No/Group</b>	<b>Food Type</b>	<b>Total no of Samples/frequency</b>
504012 Local	Tongue	16
504013 EC/LACORS/HPA	Cheese made form pasteurised milk	12
504004 LACORS	Sandwiches from Hospitals/residential care homed	8
404010 LACORS/HPA	Pathogens in raw chicken	1/month
504009	Routine Local initiatives from High risk / approved premises	16
	Dairy Products	As necessary
504015 HPA	Environmental samples Of cooked meat premises	8

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