

Sample Acceptance Policy

First Analytical prides itself on its quality and this begins with samples from the moment they enter our doors. Unless a client gives us permission to continue the analysis with the understanding that the data will be flagged for non-compliant samples, the laboratory will not accept samples unless they meet the following conditions:

- Must include a complete Chain of Custody detailing the client, sample identifications, selected test methods and their analytes, and any special notes about the samples if applicable
- Sample bottles must be correctly and uniquely labeled to match the Chain of Custody
- Samples must arrive in such a time that they can be analyzed before the holding time
- Containers must include sufficient sample volume to perform the necessary tests
- Containers must not show signs of damage, leakage, contamination, or incorrect preservation

If any of these conditions are not met, the client will be contacted before sample preparation or analysis to get further instructions. Items that can be corrected shall be noted in the case narrative of our reports.