

Drug Testing Directory Users Guide

Finding a Test Site:

1. Search for a provider by going to the Drug & Alcohol Testing Industry Association website: <http://datia.org/directories/search-directory.html>.
2. Once here enter your ZIP code under Location and enter “50” under Limit Distance To.
3. Under Industry Accreditation Status, check “Accredited Collection Facility.”
4. Click “Start Search.” This will bring up a list of collection facilities within your area.

NOTE: *This directory is not maintained by the federal government and is provided to mariners as a convenience for informational purposes only. Mariners are advised to contact the testing facility of their choice directly to ensure it meets their needs as well as all Coast Guard requirements. The Coast Guard does not recommend or endorse any particular provider.*

The business entity should be able to provide a one-stop service to include arranging for the collection of the specimen, laboratory analysis of the specimen at a Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) accredited laboratory, and MRO services for review of the specimen results.

When arranging for the drug test services, ensure that you will be able to get the results (original or copy) back OR that the business will send the results to your local Regional Exam Center for processing.

Questions to ask the facility in order to ensure that it will meet Coast Guard requirements:

1. Can the facility perform DOT 5 Panel test that ONLY tests for Marijuana, Cocaine, Opiates, Phencyclidine, and Amphetamines?
2. Can you ensure that the laboratory the specimen will be sent to is accredited by SAMHSA?
3. Will the results be signed by a Certified Medical Review Officer (MRO)?

Validating MRO/Lab:

You can obtain the MRO's name from the facility and visit <http://www.aamro.com> or <http://www.mrocc.com> to ensure the MRO is certified.

1. On the [AAMRO website](#), click "Locate a Certified MRO," enter the MRO's last name, and click "Search." If the doctor is a certified MRO, it will state (beside their name), "In good standing."
2. On the [MROCC website](#), click "Locate a Certified MRO," enter the MRO's last name, and click "Search Directory." If the doctor is a certified MRO, the MRO's name will appear.

You can also obtain the name of the laboratory the sample will be sent to and verify the laboratory is SAMHSA certified by visiting the NMC website (<http://www.uscg.mil/nmc>), clicking "Drug Testing," and then clicking "SAMHSA." Choose one of the current lists of Certified Labs. If certified, the laboratory name and address will be on the list.

Things to look for:

1. The chain-of-custody form should have the words "Federal Drug Testing Custody and Control Form" on the top line. If those words are not present on the form in the top space, it is not a DOT (Federal) drug test and will not be accepted.
2. Make sure that the name, address, phone number, and fax number of the MRO appears in Step 1 on the top portion of the Custody and Control Form.

After taking the test or having the specimen collected:

1. You should be given Copy 5 (Donor's Copy) to take with you. That is your copy and receipt that you have taken the drug test. THIS DOES NOT HAVE THE TEST RESULTS ON IT.
2. The test results should be available approximately 24 to 48 hours after the time that you had your specimen collected.
3. These drug test results need to be submitted with your completed application package to your local Regional Exam Center.

4. Acceptable proof of a drug test result can be any one of the following:

- Copy 2 of the Federal Drug Testing Custody and Control Form signed by the MRO. Make sure that the test result can be seen clearly.
- Completion of the DOT/USCG PERIODIC DRUG TESTING FORM (CG-719P), included in this application packet. The MRO needs to complete this form.
- A letter from the drug testing facility that contains all required information and is signed by the MRO.
- Option II or III listed on Page 2 of the DOT/USCG PERIODIC DRUG TESTING FORM (CG-719P).

For questions, please contact the NMC Customer Service Center at 1-888-427-5662.