

GFCO STATEMENT ON TESTING

For the purposes of GFCO's gluten-free certification program, GFCO only uses test kits validated through AACCI or AOAC for gluten testing during initial certification, auditing, and point-of-sale surveys, as well as for confirmation of customer complaints and initiation of recalls. GFCO requires that manufacturers also use these test methods, which are listed on the next page, for ingredient and finished product testing. No test methods other than those listed on the next page are acceptable for meeting your testing requirements for ingredients and finished products. If you are interested in using a kit that is not listed under VALIDATED METHODS, contact the kit manufacturer to determine if or when they expect to complete an AOAC or AACCI validation.

For surface swabbing as part of cleaning verification or validation, manufacturers may use one of the rapid methods on this list, or a generic protein swab. GFCO does not accept ATP swab results for gluten cleaning verification or validation.

Testing Requirements:

Read your contract carefully for minimum testing requirements. Compliance with testing is mandatory for certification. Quarterly reporting of test results to GFCO is required. Send your testing logs to testing@gluten.org at the end of each calendar quarter.

General Tips for Testing:

1. Every time you test, record the kit used and its lot number, the name and lot number of the product you are testing, the person performing the test, and the date.
2. Record test results immediately upon finishing testing.
3. Do not keep the lateral flow strips as evidence of testing results - the strip can change as it dries out. Instead, make a photocopy or take a picture for your records. GFCO does not need to receive pictures of test strips with your quarterly testing submissions.
4. Run the test according to the manufacturer's insert. Do not change the protocol without consulting the manufacturer, and get any alternative testing instructions in writing.

Regulatory Manager	COO	CEO

GFCO APPROVED TEST KITS

RAPID KITS, QUALITATIVE (YES/NO)

KIT	PART NUMBER	MANUFACTURER	CONTACT INFO	WEBSITE	VALIDATION	SUITABLE FOR*			CIP/RINSE
						RAW INGREDIENTS	FINISHED PRODUCTS	SURFACE SWABBING	
AgraStrip Gluten G12	COKAL0200AS	Romer Labs	office@romerlabs.com (636) 583-8600	http://www.romerlabs.com/us	AOAC PTM 061403	X	X	X	X
EZ Gluten	510EZG	ELISA Technologies	info@elisa-tek.com (352) 337-3929	http://www.elisa-tek.com/	AOAC PTM 051101	X	X	X	X
GlutenTox Pro	KIT 3000 (KT-5660) KIT 3001 (KT-5288)	Hygiena Diagnostica Espana	info@emportllc.com (866) 509-4482 (888) 494-4362	http://glutentox.com http://www.hygiena.com	AOAC PTM 061502	X	X	X	X
RIDAQUICK Gliadin	R7003 R7004 R7005	R-Biopharm	info@r-biopharm.com (877) 789-3033	http://r-biopharm.com	AOAC OMA 2015.16 AOAC PTM 101702 AACCI 38-60.01	X	X	X	X
3M Gluten Protein Rapid Kit	GLTN-1005	3M Food Safety Elution Technologies	(800) 328-1671	http://www.3m.com/foodsafety	AOAC PTM 011601	X	X	X	X

ELISA KITS, QUANTITATIVE (PPM RESULT)

KIT	PART NUMBER	MANUFACTURER	CONTACT INFO	WEBSITE	VALIDATION(S)	SUITABLE FOR*			CIP/RINSE
						RAW INGREDIENTS	FINISHED PRODUCTS	SURFACE SWABBING	
RIDASCREEN Gliadin	R7001	R-Biopharm	info@r-biopharm.com (877) 789-3033	http://r-biopharm.com	AOAC OMA 2012.01 AOAC PTM 120601 AACCI 38-50-01	X	X		
Veratox Quantitative Gliadin R5	8510	Neogen	foodsafety@neogen.com (800) 234-5333	http://neogen.com	AOAC PTM 061201	X	X		
AllerTek Gluten		ELISA Technologies	info@elisa-tek.com (352) 337-3929	http://www.elisa-tek.com/	AOAC OMA 991.19 AOAC PTM 081202	X	X		
AgraQuant Gluten G12	COKAL0200	Romer Labs	office@romerlabs.com (636) 583-8600	http://www.romerlabs.com/us	AOAC OMA 2014.03 AACCI 38-52.01	X	X		
RIDASCREEN Gliadin Competitive	R7021	R-Biopharm	info@r-biopharm.com (877) 789-3033	http://r-biopharm.com	AACCI 38-55.01 AOAC OMA 2015.05	X	X		
Morinaga Wheat/ Gluten ELISA Kit	M2103	Morinaga Institute of Biological Sciences	sales@crystalchem.com (630) 889-9003	http://www.crystalchem.com http://www.miobs-e.com	AOAC PTM 011804	X	X		

*Suitability as assigned by GFCO, not necessarily reflected in the matrices used in the third party validation. Go to www.aoac.org or www.aaccnet.org for full assay validation details.