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## **Recommended Methamphetamine Wipe Sampling Protocol**

## **Kit Contents:**

- 2 packaged, pre-wetted (99.8 % isopropyl alcohol) wipes
- 100 cm<sup>2</sup> template
- 50 mL polypropylene tube
- Nitrile gloves (XL)

## Protocol for sampling a 100 cm<sup>2</sup> area:

- 1. Using the gloves provided, remove the wipe from its protective package.
- 2. Place the 100 cm<sup>2</sup> template over the area to be sampled. You may tape it in place along the outside edge of the template for ease of use.
- 3. Wipe the surface to be sampled, with firm pressure, using vertical S-strokes.
- 4. Fold the exposed side of the wipe in and wipe the area again with horizontal S-strokes.
- 5. Fold the wipe once more and wipe the area again, with vertical S-strokes.
- 6. Fold the wipe, exposed side in, and place it in the 50 mL polypropylene tube provided and seal with the cap.
- 7. Label each sample clearly with a unique sample identifier.

**Note:** When only sampling a 100 cm<sup>2</sup> area, the second wipe provided will only be used if there are problems with the wipe packaging or the sampling procedure.

## Protocol for sampling a 200 cm<sup>2</sup> area:

- 1. Follow the protocol for sampling a  $100 \text{ cm}^2$  area (steps 1 6) with the first wipe.
- 2. Place the template on a new 100 cm<sup>2</sup> surface and repeat the protocol with the second wipe provided in the kit.
- 3. Label each sample clearly with a unique sample identifier.

**IMPORTANT:** A maximum of two wipes can be submitted in the 50 mL polypropylene centrifuge tube. If there are any problems with the wipe packaging or the sampling procedure, only sample a 100 cm<sup>2</sup> area and discard the compromised wipe.