

Filling Out the Labels on the Microbac Enterococci, Nitrate, and Total Phosphorus Sample Bottles

Below are Taunton WWTP lab manager Rick McCormack's recommendations on how to fill in the sample bottle labels [Location, date, and time is important for these bottles even though you also have this info on the chain of custody form]:

I. Enterococci (the small round clear 100 ml plastic bottle with the label on both top and side)

Top of bottle (round cap)

ID collection location e.g. COT-01
Type Enterococci
Date/Time Date of sample collection
~~Location~~ Fill in Time of collection here

Side of bottle is filled out same as cap

ID collection location e.g. COT-01
~~Collector~~ Enterococci
~~Chlorine~~ Date of sample collection
Fill in Time of collection here

*No need to write Veolia Taunton as we do on the Nitrate and Total Phosphorus bottles (see below). Always use a ball point pen (felt pen ink can run when wet) and fill out the first three lines at home. Fill in the time of collection in the field just before you dip the bottle into your bucket to fill it. Always write on a dry label.

II. Nitrate the smaller of the two opaque rectangular or circular 120 ml bottles says Non Preserved lower label

Label on side and front of Bottle

Veolia
Client: Taunton Sample ID: collection location e.g. COT-01
Analysis: Nitrate Date / /
Time / /

* You can leave "Sampled By" blank - the names of the samplers are filled in at the top of the Field/Chain of Custody sheet used for the day. Fill everything out at home except sample time. Fill in time in the field on the dry label before filling the bottle.

III. Total Phosphorus the larger of the two opaque rectangular or circular 250 ml bottles says preserved with Sulfuric Acid (H_2SO_4)

Veolia
Client: Taunton Sample ID: collection location e.g. COT-01
Analysis: Total Date / /
Phosphorus Time / /

* You can leave "Sampled By" blank if on the Field/Chain of Custody Sheet. Fill everything out at home except sample time. Fill in time in the field on the dry label before filling the bottle.