



Specific Accreditation Guidance

Scope of accreditation - service descriptors for Legal, including Forensic Science

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This document lists the descriptors for services currently able to be accredited for Legal (including Forensic Science).

In addition to referencing ISO/IEC 17025, Legal and the applicable services listed below, scopes of accreditation will include the material/item/product tested and the determination.

Scopes of accreditation will also include the technique used and the procedure adopted, however this information will not be made public and is only available to the accredited facility.

The list below will be updated as new services are accredited.

Service
Analysis for sports drugs and drug metabolites
Analysis of controlled substances
Crime scene investigations
Damage analysis
Electronic evidence - Data analysis
Electronic evidence - Data preservation
Environmental sampling for drugs of abuse
Environmental screening or monitoring for drugs of abuse - qualitative
Environmental screening or monitoring for drugs of abuse - quantitative
Examination of documents
Examination of fingerprints
Examination of fingerprints - In-situ
Examination of firearms, ammunition and weapons
Examination of tool marks
Forensic biology - Examination of biological material
Forensic biology - Examination of biological material - Field testing
Forensic biology - Examination of botanical material
Forensic chemistry/criminalistics
Forensic toxicology

Genetic analysis
Genetic analysis - Body fluid identification
Investigative analysis of materials for unknown substances
Medico legal drug testing
Medico legal drug testing AS/NZS 4308:2008, appendix A On-site screening procedure
Medico legal drug testing AS/NZS 4308:2008, appendix A On-site screening procedure - Mobile testing service
Medico legal drug testing AS/NZS 4308:2008, appendix A On-site screening procedure - Testing performed at client sites
Medico legal drug testing AS/NZS 4308:2008, appendix A On-site screening procedure - Testing performed at permanent fixed sites
Medico legal drug testing AS/NZS 4308:2008, section 2 Specimen collection, storage, handling and dispatch
Medico legal drug testing AS/NZS 4308:2008, section 3 General laboratory requirements
Medico legal drug testing AS/NZS 4308:2008, section 4 Laboratory screening procedures
Medico legal drug testing AS/NZS 4308:2008, section 5 Laboratory confirmatory procedures
Medico legal drug testing AS/NZS 4308:2023, Section 3 Onsite screening test procedure
Medico legal drug testing AS/NZS 4308:2023, Section 3 Onsite screening test procedure - Mobile testing service
Medico legal drug testing AS/NZS 4308:2023, Section 3 Onsite screening test procedure - Testing performed at client site
Medico legal drug testing AS/NZS 4308:2023, Section 3 Onsite screening test procedure - Testing performed at permanent fixed sites
Medico legal drug testing AS/NZS 4308:2023, Section 2 Specimen collection, storage, handling and dispatch
Medico legal drug testing AS/NZS 4308:2023, Section 4 General laboratory requirements
Medico legal drug testing AS/NZS 4308:2023, Section 5 Laboratory screening procedures
Medico legal drug testing AS/NZS 4308:2023, Section 6 Laboratory confirmatory procedure
Medico legal drug testing AS/NZS 4308:2023, Appendix A, Additional and optional testing
Medico legal drug testing AS/NZS 4760, Appendix A On-site screening test procedure
Medico legal drug testing AS/NZS 4760, Appendix A On-site screening test procedure - Testing performed at client sites
Medico legal drug testing AS/NZS 4760, Appendix A On-site screening test procedure - Mobile testing service
Medico legal drug testing AS/NZS 4760, Appendix A On-site screening test procedure - Testing performed at permanent fixed sites

Medico legal drug testing AS/NZS 4760, Appendix B Additional testing
Medico legal drug testing AS/NZS 4760, section 5 Laboratory confirmatory procedures
Medico legal drug testing AS/NZS 4760, section 2 Collection, Storage, handling and dispatch
Medico legal drug testing AS/NZS 4760, section 3 General laboratory requirements
Medico legal drug testing AS/NZS 4760, section 4 Laboratory screen testing
Monitoring of animals for drugs, metabolites and other substances - Qualitative analysis
Monitoring of animals for drugs, metabolites and other substances - Quantitative analysis
Qualitative analysis of non-animal/non-human samples for drugs and other substances
Qualitative chemical analysis for contamination of products used in animal husbandry
Quantitative analysis of non-animal/non-human samples for drugs and other substances
Quantitative chemical analysis for contamination of products used in animal husbandry
Sample collection
Signal processing - Audio processing
Signal processing - Video (image) processing

Amendment Table

The table below provides a summary of changes made to the document with this issue.

Amendment
Updated for publication of AS/NZS 4308:2023 and removal of AS 4760:2006.
Whole document - Added Security Classification Label