

In-house Laboratory Quality Check List

	PRE-ANALYTICAL FACTOR	WHAT TO CHECK
1	SAMPLE QUALITY	Did the sample appear normal and free of interfering substances (e.g. haemolysis, lipaemia, clots) before the test was run?
2	SAMPLE HANDLING	Was the sample collected, stored and handled according to the analyser's instruction manual? Were the correct blood tubes used? Were the blood tubes filled correctly? Was the test run in the required time frame? Was the Haematology sample mixed well (i.e. inverted 10 times) immediately before testing?
3	ANALYSER OPERATION	Was the analyser operated according to its instruction manual? Were all consumables and accessories appropriate and within their expiry date?
4	ANALYSER MAINTENANCE	Has the analyser been well maintained and cleaned according to its instruction manual?
5	QUALITY CONTROL (QC)	Have all required QC tests been run and passed?

REMEMBER - Confirmatory tests are available

Please submit samples to your local Vetnostics Pathology laboratory (fees apply).