

Description of the RICE Scheme

Participation in an independent proficiency-testing scheme plays an essential part of a laboratory's quality control system and is mandatory for a laboratory accredited to the ISO 17025 standard. RICE is an asbestos fibre counting proficiency-testing scheme run by HSE Science Division. A steering group, the Fibre Proficiency Testing Steering Committee (FPTSC), oversees the technical operation and development of RICE and the Asbestos In Materials Scheme (AIMS).

The RICE scheme provides a measure of the laboratory's performance in relation to other fibre counting laboratories. The recommended analytical method for this scheme is the World Health Organisation (WHO) counting rules using phase contrast microscopy.

Significance and interpretation of the Indicators of Participant Counting

A laboratory will receive one of four classifications – *Category 1*, *Category 2*, *Category 3* or *Awaiting Classification* – for each period covered by four consecutive rounds.

Category 1 is Good

Category 2 is Acceptable (but needs improvement)

Category 3 is Unsatisfactory and Awaiting Classification is assigned when fewer than four rounds have been completed.

This 4 round classification is the primary assessment measure because it reflects the performance of a laboratory over a period of time; this reduces the influence of slide-related variations. The aim of every laboratory should be to achieve and maintain a **Category 1** performance in RICE.

This report lists those laboratories that have achieved either Category 1 or Category 2 status. Laboratories are listed in alphabetical order.

Please note that laboratories “Awaiting Classification” and Category 3 laboratories are not included in this list.

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