

## **Guideline for Hatchery Standard - Issue 2.1- Clause 3.7**

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Clause	Requirement Hatchery 2.1	Interpret the clause and audit as below		
3.7	During the annual inspection process, auditors shall witness effluent sampling and preparation for analysis by an independent laboratory. The samples collected during the audit shall be analyzed by a private or government laboratory following generally accepted analytical methods, and results shall conform to the limits stated in Appendix B	The reason for this guidance is to clarify what is meant by "witness effluent sampling and preparation for analysis by an independent laboratory".  The intent of this clause is to ensure integrity, impartiality, and compliance of the effluent sampling process to the BAP standard. This is achieved by auditor oversight of the sampling process.  Frequently, effluent sampling is conducted by an accredited 3rd party laboratory. The process includes calibration of equipment, installation of equipment at some locations, and breakdown and removal of equipment before samples are shipped. This may take up to 12-24 hours which impacts the auditor allocated audit time.  Auditor Requirements:  Witness the effluent sampling process  For continuous sampling operations, the auditor shall witness at least one collection cycle  Review and approve the location of the sample sites  Verify the sampling is conducted by qualified government or private laboratory using accepted methods and approve label format for samples  If the labeling of the samples occurs outside of the auditor's allocated time, pictures shall be taken of the labeled samples that are prepared for shipment to the laboratory and sent to the auditor and certification body.		

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