



National Accreditation Board for Testing and Calibration Laboratories

(A Constituent Board of Quality Council of India)



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Unique Laboratory Report (ULR) Number for Accreditation Certificates TC-xxxxx

Accredited testing laboratories with NABL Accreditation Certificate number from TC-10000 onwards may note the clarification on the use of ULR number.

As you are aware, Government electronic Marketplace (GeM) accepts test reports issued by NABL accredited laboratories along with the products which are uploaded on the GeM portal.

To authenticate the test reports, GeM has sought the co-operation of NABL in getting the data on reports mapped with the claim of the sellers. To facilitate such mapping, a ULR number has to be mentioned on all reports issued by testing laboratories. This number will be in addition to the report number of the laboratory and will have to be mentioned in all reports issued with accredited scope only.

The format for the ULR number to be used for testing laboratories with NABL accreditation certificate number from TC-10000 onwards is mentioned below:

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
TC	X	X	X	X	X	Y	Y	L	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	F
Accreditation Certificate Number eg. TC-XXXXX						Year eg. 21 for the year 2021		Location identification , eg. 0 is for laboratories with single location. In case of multi location laboratories, 1,2,3,4,5 stand for location 1,2 etc.		Running number of the report starting from 00000001 to 99999999 in each calendar year. The numbering has to be started afresh in each calendar year. Lab can use hexadecimal numbering in case required.						Denotes that all the parameters in the report are in the accredited scope. Non-accredited parameters are not mentioned in the report.	

A laboratory having multiple sections within the same premises under one accreditation certificate may consider the sections as locations and can use the 9th digit as 1/2/3 etc. as per convenience. Example, for laboratories having more than 10 sections, 0 to 9 can be used for the 9th digit followed by 00000001 at 10th to 17th digits. To cover the subsequent section, the 9th digit can be started again with 0 to 9 followed by running number 10000001 at 10th to 17th digits.

Lab can also use hexadecimal numbering for digit positions 9 to 17, in case required.

In case amendment is made to any report with proper identification, the same ULR number may be given. However, it is the prerogative of the laboratory. This system is not mandatory to test reports issued by

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In-house laboratories like bulk petroleum product manufacturer's laboratories, test reports of non-commodities like air, waste water and similar environmental parameters and results related to veterinary testing, dope testing & forensic testing.

For testing laboratories, discipline (example Biological) and group (example Water) as applicable needs to be mentioned before the product and parameters in the reports. (Please refer NABL 120)

It is reiterated that the ULR system has to be followed in line with the current version of NABL 133.

This system is not to be used in reports containing parameters outside the scope of NABL accreditation.

For CABs accredited with NABL accreditation certificate number TC-xxxx, CC-xxxx, RC-xxxx, there is no change in the ULR format being used. However, hexadecimal numbers can be used in digit positions 9 to 17 as per CAB's convenience.

Sincerely,

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