

# PJLA Update Notification

## Update Notification # 24

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**Form/Procedure/Policy:** Expansion to the PJLA Food Testing Program

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Attention all Applicant and Accredited Food Testing Facilities:

We would like to inform you of our most recent updates to continuously improve our Food Testing Accreditation Program. PJLA has now expanded our program to include: ***The AOAC International Guidelines for Laboratories Performing Microbiological and Chemical Analyses of Food and Pharmaceutical-2010 and APLAC TC 007 Guidelines for Food Testing Laboratories.*** A checklist for this program has been placed under the resource section of our website at <http://www.pjlab.com/resources/pjla-documents> .

We strongly recommend that all laboratories utilize these additional guidelines within their facility. However, this program is voluntary and laboratories will not be held to additional requirements above and beyond ISO/IEC 17025:2005, unless you request that these specific documents be referenced on your certificate.

Laboratories wishing to add these requirements to your assessment should contact PJLA directly.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Tracy Szerszen at [tszerszen@pjlab.com](mailto:tszerszen@pjlab.com) or via telephone at (248) 519-2603.

Thank you!