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## Terms of the proficiency test (PT)

# DLA 58/2018 – Children's Product II: Analysis of 8 Elements in Finger Paint (As, Ba, Cd, Cr, Hg, Pb, Sb, Se)

## Test material\* :

There are two identical samples with the parameters As, Ba, Cd, Cr, Hg, Pb, Sb and Se to be determined. The matrix is Finger Paint. Sample weight: 2 Samples 5 g each.

\* Note: Control of mixture homogeneity and qualitative testings are carried out by DLA. Any testing of the content, homogeneity and stability of PT parameters is subcontracted by DLA.

## Methods + realisation time:

Analytical methods for quantitative determinations are optional.

There is a 6 weeks period for performing the analysis. The results are transmitted by e-mail via the provided results file.

## **Evaluation report:**

The **evaluation** is carried out from a total of 7 results on **quantitatively**. It includes kernel density estimation, outlier tests, robust mean, robust standard deviation and z-scores. The assigned value is the robust mean of participants results. Results, limits of detection and/or quantification and remarks to the methods will be documented. DLA intends to finish the evaluation report within 6 weeks after deadline of results submission.

Each participant receives an anonymized, complete evaluation report as a PDF-file, identifying the own results by individual code in case payment was done. A print-out can be sent on demand.

## **Registration :**

The reliable order can be sent to DLA or our authorized sales partner.

Further information and an online registration form can be found at <u>www.dla-lvu.de</u>.

Registration deadline is **19<sup>th</sup> September 2018**.

## Shipment + number of participants:

Required minimum number of participants is 10. The samples will be sent to participants in the **week 39** by parcel service with tracking (delivery time 2-3 days within Europe, 2-5 days worldwide).

## **Deadline of result submission:**

Last date for submission of results **09<sup>th</sup> November 2018**.

## Invoice + price :

Invoicing will be done by DLA along with the sample shipment or by our authorized partner in parallel to the sample shipment.

The price of the proficiency test is  $265, -- \in \text{per}$  participant plus shipping and possible tax.

Please note: there can be a handling charge for delivery in non-EU countries. Our authorized partner will inform you.

Shipping costs: within Germany € 12,50, EUcountries and Europe € 25 - 35, outside Europe € 45-75.

Our General Terms and Conditions GTC apply: www.dla-lvu.de/AGB.html