



**Pollution Research Group
University of KwaZulu-Natal, Durban
South Africa**

**Support to Sanitation Practitioners
Laboratory and Field Work Questionnaire**

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Laboratory and Field Work requirements

Please use this questionnaire as a guideline for informing us of your laboratory and field work requirements. Any additional information can be sent as an attached document, or inserted at the end of the questionnaire. Where information is not applicable, please cross out that section.

NB: If analysing faecal sludge, please provide photographs of your samples on a spade or flat surface so that we have an indication of the dryness of the sample.

Please note the following:

All electricity in South Africa works on a voltage of 220 V single phase; 380 V 3-phase and that there is the possibility of power cuts.

It is essential that you communicate with the Pollution Research Group with regards to bringing supplies and equipment to Durban, and if you require samples to be sent out of South Africa. There are certain procedures that need to be followed. For more information, please contact Susan Mercer: mercer@ukzn.ac.za

Section 1: Organisation details

Name of organisation:	
Address:	
Contact person:	
Department:	
Position held:	
Email address:	
Title of Project	
Has there been any recent outbreaks of contagious diseases (e.g. typhoid, cholera etc.). Please provide details.	

Aim of visit?

Section 2: Visit to PRG facilities

Dates of proposed visit	
Duration	
Number of people	

Name	Position	Email

Please provide details of medical insurance if applicable:

Name	Medical insurance details

Please provide details of an emergency contact person:

Researcher	Name of contact	Relationship	Contact number

Section 3: Laboratory Requirements

(Please see laboratory manual for a list of equipment which is in the laboratory, the tests which can be carried out, and the health and safety requirements).

Laboratory experience of people wishing to make use of the PRG labs and equipment:

Will you be based at the PRG Laboratory only, or also at field sites such as the Newlands Mashu Research Facility, or out on other field sites (e.g. communities)? Please list.

Will you be bringing laboratory equipment? If so, please indicate the make, model, dimensions and purpose and the requirements in terms of water, gas, chemicals, extraction etc. Please attach a photograph of the equipment.

Make and model	Purpose	Requirements	Dimensions

Will you require sampling to be undertaken? If so please provide details such as type and source of samples (e.g. faecal sludge from schools, UDDTs etc.), the quantity required and the frequency of collection.

Type of sample	Source	Quantity	Frequency

Do you have access to a vehicle while at the PRG, or will you require transport assistance?

Please indicate what type of PPE you will bring with you and what you require us to source (in general, we request that you bring your own lab coat and safety shoes, and we will provide consumables such as gloves and masks).

Section 4: Field Work Requirements

Will you be bringing equipment or prototypes for field work? If so, please indicate the make, model, dimensions and purpose and the requirements in terms of water, power, gas, chemicals, extraction etc. Please attach a photograph of the equipment.

Make and model	Purpose	Requirements	Dimensions

Please indicate if you have any other special requirements?

