

TES Bretby is the UK's premier environmental testing laboratory producing high quality analytical data for more than 20 years. As a Mowlem plc business, we provide a comprehensive range of environmental analytical services to consulting, industrial and government clients situated within the UK, Europe and across many countries world-wide.

Our main business aim is to provide you with meaningful data, not just facile numbers.



STEALTH CHARGE ALERT !



Stealth Charges

In Life

1. Inheritance Tax	40% >£260k
2. Stamp Duty	1-4% >£60k
3. Education Top Up Fees	~£4k
4. Credit Card Surcharges	1-3%
5. Speed Cameras	>£60
6. Motorway Toll	£3-6
7. Congestion Charges	£5

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Laboratory testing

8. mCERTs Surcharges	£8/sample or 10%
9. Sample Disposal Charges	£1/sample
10. Lab Courier Charges	£15/batch

At TES, we believe in delivering a transparent service without the need for surcharges as levied by many of our competitors. Our rates are fully inclusive and cater for:

- Sample containers & preservatives
- Delivery of sample containers
- Collection of samples
- Sample registration and preparation



PRESS 1- Policy update for mCERTs & sample disposal charges

TES has a long established reputation for providing high quality data. The laboratory has based many of its procedures on US protocols and the requirements of ISO17025 and mCERTs has been a relatively easy transition. For this reason there will be **NO EXTRA CHARGE** to our clients for MCERTS data for the foreseeable future.

As part of our ISO14001 accreditation, we have always taken an environmentally stringent approach to waste disposal. Therefore, there will be **NO ADDITIONAL DISPOSAL CHARGES** at this juncture.



Update What is TES's current position?

To date we are one of the first UK labs to be awarded MCERTS and now have accreditation for:

Acid soluble sulphate
Elemental Sulphur
Thiocyanate

We have been granted accreditation subject the clearance of minor non-conformances and expect clearance imminently for:

VOCs (USEPA 8260B purge & trap GCMS)
Easily liberated, complex and total cyanide
Heavy Metals by ICPMS
TPH GCFID
BTEX Headspace GCFID

We have also applied for the balance of Annex A organics which will include our **Semi-volatiles method (USEPA 8270C, soxhlet -GCMS)**.



PRESS 2- High quality, fast track GC analysis

Analysis of complex petroleum mixtures by gas chromatography has traditionally required long analysis times, typically ~45mins to 1 hour. Advances in oven and detector technologies within the gas chromatograph have allowed established methods to be challenged.

TES started development of fast GC methods in the late 1990's. We have undertaken a significant amount of research to assess the impact that shortening run times has on resolution and data quality. We rejected the ballistic column heating jacket technology eagerly implemented by several of our competitors and in our next bulletin we reveal our technological breakthrough in more detail. Clearly, accelerated analysis is fundamental to improving turnaround times, BUT we firmly believe it should not be at the expense of data quality.

CONTACT US

For further information about any of the issues raised in this bulletin or to discuss your analytical requirements please contact:

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