

## Notification of Suspected Presence or Isolation of Pathogen\* Form Requirements

For the purposes of Regulation 15 of the *Food Regulations 2009* the approved form to be completed by a proprietor of a food business or the person in charge of a laboratory for the suspicion / isolation of pathogen from food, a person, premises, a vehicle or anything associated with the food business, must include the information specified below:

- name of prescribed pathogen;
- name and address of food business;
- sampling date and location;
- description of food / source of sample;
- main activity undertaken by the food business;
- brand name / trade name;
- pack size, date marking, and batch code (if applicable);
- name and address of laboratory isolating prescribed pathogen;
- date sample received for testing;
- date prescribed pathogen suspected / isolated;
- date, time and person at DOH verbally notified;
- any additional relevant information concerning the product such as raw or ready-to-eat, if product is in the market place;
- the date, signature, and position of the person submitting the notice

The form may also include other relevant information not specified. A sample form is available on the [Food Unit website](#).

1. **Immediate telephone advice to:** (08) 9388 4999 **and**
2. **Within 24 hours of isolation or suspicion of a prescribed pathogen**  
**Facsimile:** (08) 9382 8119 **or online Email:** [Foodunit@health.wa.gov.au](mailto:Foodunit@health.wa.gov.au)  
**Or forward to via post:** Attention: Manager, Food Unit  
Department of Health  
Grace Vaughan House  
227 Stubbs Terrace, Shenton Park  
WA 6008

(\*Pathogen means any of these pathogens: (a) *Listeria monocytogenes*, (b) all *Salmonella* species, (c) all *Shigella* species; (d) verotoxigenic *E.coli*)

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