

## New England Biolabs Certificate of Analysis

**Product Name:** Standard Taq (Mg-free) Reaction Buffer Pack  
**Catalog #:** B9015S  
**Concentration:** 10X Concentrate  
**Lot #:** 0021703  
**Assay Date:** 03/2017  
**Expiration Date:** 3/2022  
**Storage Temp:** -20°C  
**Composition (1X):** 10 mM Tris-HCl, 50 mM KCl, (pH 8.3 @ 25°C)  
**Specification Version:** PS-B9015S v1.0  
**Effective Date:** 10 Feb 2017

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<b>Endonuclease Activity (Nicking, Mg-Free Buffer)</b> - A 50 µl reaction in 2X Standard Taq (Mg-free) Reaction Buffer and 3 mM MgCl <sub>2</sub> containing 1 µg of supercoiled PhiX174 DNA incubated for 4 hours at 37°C results in <10% conversion to the nicked form as determined by agarose gel electrophoresis.	<b>Pass</b>
<b>Non-Specific DNase Activity (16 hour, Mg-Free Buffer)</b> - A 50 µl reaction in 2X Standard Taq (Mg-free) Reaction Buffer and 3 mM MgCl <sub>2</sub> containing 1 µg of T3 DNA in addition to a reaction containing Lambda-HindIII DNA incubated for 16 hours at 37°C results in a DNA pattern free of detectable nuclease degradation as determined by agarose gel electrophoresis.	<b>Pass</b>
<b>PCR Amplification (5 kb Lambda DNA, Mg-Free Buffer)</b> - A 50 µl reaction in Standard Taq (Mg-free) Reaction Buffer and 1.5 mM MgCl <sub>2</sub> in the presence of 200 µM dNTPs and 0.2 µM primers containing 5 ng Lambda DNA with 1.25 units of Taq DNA Polymerase for 25 cycles of PCR amplification results in the expected 5 kb product.	<b>Pass</b>
<b>pH (buffers/solutions)</b> - The pH of 10X Standard Taq (Mg-free) Reaction Buffer is between pH 8.2 and 8.4 at 25°C.	<b>Pass</b>
<b>Phosphatase Activity (pNPP, Buffer)</b> - A 200 µl reaction in 1M Diethanolamine @ pH 9.8 and 0.5 mM MgCl <sub>2</sub> containing 2.5 mM p-Nitrophenyl Phosphate (pNPP) and a minimum of 40 µl Standard Taq (Mg-free) Reaction Buffer incubated for 4 hours at 37°C yields <0.0001 unit of alkaline phosphatase activity as determined by spectrophotometric analysis.	<b>Pass</b>



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<b>qPCR DNA Contamination (<i>E. coli</i> Genomic, Buffer)</b> - A minimum of 1 µl of Standard <i>Taq</i> (Mg-free) Reaction Buffer is screened for the presence of <i>E. coli</i> genomic DNA using SYBR® Green qPCR with primers specific for the <i>E. coli</i> 16S rRNA locus. Results are quantified using a standard curve generated from purified <i>E. coli</i> genomic DNA. The measured level of <i>E. coli</i> genomic DNA contamination is ≤ 1 <i>E. coli</i> genome.	<b>Pass</b>
<b>RNase Activity (Extended Digestion)</b> - A 10 µl reaction in NEBuffer 4 containing 40 ng of a 300 base single-stranded RNA and a minimum of 1 µl of Standard <i>Taq</i> (Mg-free) Reaction Buffer is incubated at 37°C. After incubation for 16 hours, >90% of the substrate RNA remains intact as determined by gel electrophoresis using fluorescent detection.	<b>Pass</b>



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