

**Traditional EPA Protocol P/A Test Methodology
(Total Coliform Rule)
For Sample Reading Between 16 - 22 hours**

Add Colitag™
Media to 100 mL
water sample

Place vessel
in a 44.5 °C water bath
for 7 to 10 minutes

Incubate
for 16 to 22 hours at 35±0.5 °C

Visually Checked
sample for yellow color

No
Sample is negative
for total coliforms

Yes
Fluorescence Checked
Using a long wave-length
(365-nanometer) ultra-violet
lamp, check for fluorescence

No
Sample is negative
for *E. coli* bacteria

Yes
Sample is positive for
E. coli bacteria