

Product Sampling Instructions

For Independent Sampling Service

A stand-alone instruction sheet for use by the independent sampling service conducting the product sampling is available.

- Samples are to be taken from 10% of the containers comprising one lot. If a lot consists of less than 30 containers, a minimum of 3 containers shall be sampled. The samples will be blended in equal ratios to form a composite sample for subsequent testing.
- Open each container bung and withdraw a 50-100 mL sample from the container, several inches below the oil surface. Sufficient sample must be withdrawn to provide a final composite of 300 mL. This can be accomplished with the use of a syringe with an extension of clear plastic tubing, or other suitable sampling device (cannot be constructed of glass).
- The sampling device must be clean and free from all contamination and should be rinsed with alcohol and dried prior to use. The sampling device must be constructed in such a way that it can be disassembled and cleaned or it must be disposable. It is necessary to start with a clean sampling device; however, the sampling device need not be cleaned of jojoba oil residue between sampling of containers within a lot. Collect the 50-100 mL sample in a new plastic or metal container.
- Blend the samples collected in equal ratios to form a composite sample for submission to the independent testing laboratory. The new composite container must be of sufficient size to hold a 50-100 mL sample from all containers sampled within the lot. The composite container cannot be an open-head container but rather, must be one with a 2 to 5 cm diameter pour spout that can be sealed with both an inner seal and outer twist-on lid.
- Once the composite sample is prepared, divide the sample into two (2) samples by pouring 150 mL of the composite sample into a separate container (meeting the above-mentioned requirements). The IJEC member company shall hold the balance of the sample for one year, minimum.
- After sampling, the tops of the containers must be free from oil residue. The bung closure must be replaced and tightened and the bung resealed with a tamper-evident cap. If required by the IJEC member company, the container headspace must be purged with nitrogen prior to closure.
- Label both composite sample containers with the following information, at a minimum:
 1. IJEC member company name
 2. Material designation (both INCI name and trade name, if applicable)
 3. Lot number
 4. Date of sampling
 5. Net weight of sample

Lot Instructions

Each sample of jojoba oil submitted for evaluation shall represent a single batch or blend of batches mixed to a homogeneous mixture to form a manufacturer's lot. A manufacturer's lot is defined as a uniform blend of one or more batches, or part thereof, submitted for inspection at one time.