

Laboratory Name:

This file contains the inventory and template form for software quality assurance

FileName: Macintosh HD:private:var:folders:37:71m6ffz93

Version	Date	Initials
1.0	1-Apr-09	GH
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Modifications
Basic Software Inventory - original file Sheets added for Revisions, Computer Inventory, COTS, and Assessment Form A; Codes removed from Software Inventory; Measurement Parameters added to Inventory Technical Assessment form modified and inserted as Form A.

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Software Inventory and Status

Used for Procedure	Authorized Users	Program Source
Laboratory Operations		
		NIST
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Mass III		
Wheelload Weigher/Weight Carts		
Mass II		
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Mass I		
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Gravimetric Volume I		
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Volume Transfer II		
Volume Transfer LPG/SVP		
Length		
Temperature		

Validation File Name/Location

Not validated by NIST. Local modifications must be validated too.

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Validation Tab/Worksheet in the File. Form A needed.

Compiled/provided by NIST. Data sets used on site.

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Technical Assessment

This form is completed for each software file used in the laboratory. The form may be added as a file/workbook or may be maintained in a separate electronic/paper file/location in the laboratory.

Codes	Assessment
A. Software Inspection	<p>Spreadsheet is clear and makes sense There are instructions for use Instructions and data input appear on the visible portion of the first worksheet Data-entry fields are labeled and color coded (it is recommended to use a color key)</p> <p>The Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) used is clearly specified The number of digits to be rounded to is specified The user is warned/notified whenever data-entry fields are left blank Data-entry fields are “blank” when opened, preventing loss of old data old data is not used with the current calculations The software opens at the right location within the file Unused fields/cells are locked Rows/columns that the operator need not see are hidden Unused sheets are removed Worksheets are named appropriately</p>
B. Mathematical Specification	<p>The correct SOP is used The formulae and methods chosen from that SOP are specified Sources and references for formulae are specified The chosen SOP, its methods, and its formulae, are appropriate to the precision/uncertainty</p>
C. Code review	<p>The formulae in the fields exactly match the SOP Repeated calculations appropriately reference the correct cells Calculations, when tested using standard data or reference test data, are correct Rounding is done at the appropriate locations in the file</p>
D. Numerical Stability	<p>Calculations are stable as determined by an evaluation that uses large differences Fields, therefore their content, are categorized as “Number” and not “Text” where appropriate, and vice versa “Number” cells are locked to a limited number of decimal places; this limit is appropriate to the values being used</p>
E. Component Testing	<p>Each macro used is functional Each command/button is functional Combinations of interdependent macros are functional Plotted graphs are accurate Worksheets/reports print properly, if needed to Conditional (color and non-color) formatting is functional</p>
F. Numerical Reference	<p>Look-up tables and lists match the latest calibration report. Uncertainties match the latest Scope Values that reference another workbook or spreadsheet are dated</p>

F. Nu Ref	When a master list's date is updated, the file references (A) an old value, (C) displays zero or (D) an error message, as desired by the user
G. Embedded Data Evaluation	<p>Embedded data (conversion factors, reference values, etc) is correct</p> <p>The evaluation of the embedded data is dated and documented</p>
H. Back-to-Back Testing	Newer spreadsheets and older spreadsheets agree down to the level calculations; this evaluation is dated and documented
I. Analysis With Out Computer Assistance	Hand calculations agree with those generated by the spreadsheet, or differences are significantly smaller than the reported uncertainty
J. Security	<p>Equation and calculation cells are protected against inadvertent editing</p> <p>Cells are locked in place; they cannot be moved/dragged</p> <p>Confidentiality of passwords is appropriate</p> <p>Files are backed up automatically</p> <p>Additional back-up is available at alternate facilities</p> <p>Files on network drives cannot be accidentally deleted</p>

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