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QS CERTIFICATION OF SP LABORATORIJA

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We are very pleased to inform you that in May SP Laboratorija has become a QS approved laboratory for monitoring pesticide residues in fruits, vegetables and potatoes. In the Republic of Serbia, SP Laboratorija is the only QS approved laboratory!



QS (Quality Scheme) is the leading German standard for food safety. QS certified products are recognized by the QS certification mark which is a sign of compliance with QS standards for the production and marketing of meat and meat products, fruits, vegetables and potatoes.

The aim of QS certification is daily confirmation of consumer confidence in fresh food.

The QS certification mark indicates a high level of safety of fruits, vegetables, potatoes and meat products, in the chain from producer to consumer. In Germany, 95% of fresh pork and poultry, 85% of beef and 90% of fruits, vegetables and potatoes are QS certified. For consumers, the blue QS certification mark has served for almost 20 years as a symbol for food with controlled production and marketing processes. Quality assurance in the QS scheme for safe fresh food is based on three interactive levels of verification. The first level of verification is self-assessment. At this level, companies themselves monitor, meet and document all prescribed QS requirements. QS supports them in this endeavor with clearly defined requirements, practical guidelines and checklists.

The second level of verification consists of two elements:

independent verification of the company by qualified auditors and participation in various monitoring programs, which aims to identify and assess potential risks to food safety at early stage. Independent certification bodies and their auditors are responsible for monitoring whether and how the requirements have been implemented.

The third level is the inspection of auditors. This process includes monitoring the work of certification bodies, auditors and laboratories.

In the QS scheme, approved laboratories regularly check the companies' compliance with the requirements - analyse samples for environmental toxins, residues of plant protection products, mycotoxins or heavy metals, as well as for hygienic parameters such as salmonella contamination. In addition, QS approved laboratories conduct comprehensive testing as part of a monitoring program organized by QS. All inspection and testing results are documented in QS databases thus ensuring transparency and traceability in quality assurance in the QS scheme.

QS certification is not limited to the German market, it is increasingly present in the entire European market. When you spot a QS certification mark at a grocery store, it provides you with reliable quality certification.

If you need a test report issued by a QS approved laboratory to export or place a product on the market, please contact us via e-mail address splaboratorija@splaboratorija.rs.

For all additional information you can also contact us via e-mail and we will with pleasure meet your expectations.

ISSUANCE OF ELECTRONIC TEST REPORTS

SP Laboratorija has, by changing its laboratory information system and appropriate reorganization of work, implemented an improvement related to more efficient issuance of test reports. All samples received to the laboratory from 20.06.2022 enter into the new system and for them reports will be generated in electronic form, in .pdf format, verified by authorized persons and as such will be immediately sent electronically to the e-mail address of the customer we have in the system and/or which the customer specifies on the request for analysis.

If the customer needs a report in paper form, he is able to print it and such a report has the same importance as if SP Laboratorija sent a report in paper form. Issuing reports in paper form at the request of the customer by SP Laboratorija is, of course, possible.

Our aim was to speed up the issuance of test reports with this change, and we believe that we will positively contribute to more efficient business of our customers.

NEW ANALYSES IN SP LABORATORIJA

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At the beginning of April this year, Accreditation Body of Serbia has performed the third regular audit according to requirements of the standard SRPS ISO/IEC 17025: 2017, after which a decision was made to maintain accreditation for conformity assessment and to expand the scope of accreditation for the following analyses:

- Determination of allergens - mustard
 - Detection of Salmonella by PCR technique which enables faster determination compared to standard determination of pathogens
 - Detection of Listeria monocytogenes and Listeria spp by ELFA technique which also significantly shortens determination
 - Evaluation of antimicrobial protection of cosmetics (Challenge test)
- Updated scope of accreditation is expected during July 2022.

You can take look at the current detailed scope of accreditation on the website of the Accreditation Body of Serbia: <http://www.registar.ats.rs/>

Meanwhile, the flexible scope of accreditation has been expanded with:

- determination of Aluminum in samples of cocoa powder and cocoa products and
- determination of pesticide residues Clopyralid, Karanjin and Natamycin (Pimaricin) in fruits and vegetables

A complete up-to-date list of accredited pesticide residues, GMO modifications, mycotoxins, plant toxins and metals and metalloids is permanently available on the website of SP Laboratorija via the link: <https://splaboratorija.rs/sr/o-nama/sertifikati-i-obim-akreditacije>

SP Laboratorija monitors your requirements, domestic and foreign legislation and accordingly harmonize its operations, develop and apply recognized testing methods.

For all additional questions and information, our e-mail address is at your disposal: splaboratorija@splaboratorija.rs

NEW ACCESS ROAD

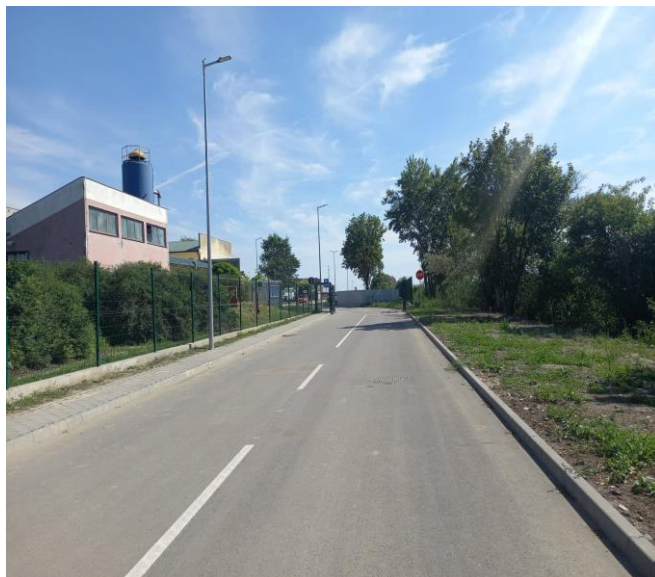
Dear customers,

if you come to SP Laboratorija, you will access us from the regional road (Industrijska Street) via the new access road.

After several months of work, the construction of the



road and a spacious own parking for employees, customers and guests of SP Laboratorija has been completed. This allows easier, faster and simpler access to the laboratory. The main entrance is still used for the entrance to the building, and your arrival will be registered using the intercom.



CHANGES IN SERBIAN LEGISLATION IN THE PERIOD FROM 11.03.2022-31.05.2022.

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WINE

Official Gazette of RS, br.67/2010, 42/2022 - Regulation on the appearance, content and manner of displaying the registration stamp for wine with geographical origin

Official Gazette of RS 121/2012, 102/2014, 78/2015, 94/2017, 48/2022 - Regulation on the conditions for recognition, the procedure for recognition of labels for wines and some special wines with geographical origin, as well as the method of production and labeling of wines and some special wines with geographical origin

NUTRITIONAL SUPPLEMENTS (DIETARY SUPPLEMENTS)

Official Gazette of RS 45/2022 - Regulation on food supplements (dietary supplements)

GENERAL

Official Gazette of RS 45/2022 - Regulation on determining the Program for monitoring the safety of food of plant and mixed origin for 2022

Official Gazette of RS 48/2022 - Regulation on determining the Program for monitoring the safety of imported food of animal origin and feed for 2022

Official Gazette of RS 57/2022 - List of approved substances

Official Gazette of RS 48/2022 - Regulation on the manner of performing official control of animals before and after slaughter for the presence of Trichinella in meat

COSMETICS

Official Gazette of RS 60/2019, 47/2022 - Regulation on cosmetic products

CHANGES IN EUROPEAN FOOD LEGISLATION

(Heavy metals, pesticide residues)

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Heavy metals

Commission Regulation (EU) 2022/617 of 12 April 2022 amending Regulation (EC) No 1881/2006 as regards maximum levels of mercury in fish and salt

Pesticide residues

Commission Regulation (EU) 2021/2202 of 9 December 2021 amending Annexes II, III and IV to Regulation (EC) No 396/2005 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards maximum residue levels for acequinocyl, Bacillus subtilis strain IAB/BSO3, emamectin, flutolanil and imazamox in or on certain products

Commission Regulation (EU) 2022/78 of 19 January 2022 amending Annexes II and III to Regulation (EC) No 396/2005 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards maximum residue levels for dazomet, hexythiazox, metam and methylisothiocyanate in or on certain products

Commission Regulation (EU) 2022/85 of 20 January 2022 amending Annex II to Regulation (EC) No 396/2005 of the European Parliament and of the

Council as regards maximum residue levels for flonicamid in or on certain products

Commission Regulation (EU) 2022/93 of 20 January 2022 amending Annexes II, III and IV to Regulation (EC) No 396/2005 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards maximum residue levels for acrinathrin, fluvalinate, folpet, fosetyl, isofetamid, 'Pepino Mosaic Virus, EU strain, mild isolate Abp1', 'Pepino Mosaic Virus, CH2 strain, mild isolate Abp2', spinetoram and spirotetramat in or on certain products

Commission Regulation (EU) 2022/476 of 24 March 2022 amending Annexes II, III and IV to Regulation (EC) No 396/2005 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards maximum residue levels for acetic acid, azoxystrobin, benzovindiflupyr, cyantraniliprole, cyflufenamid, emamectin, flutolanil, lime sulphur, maltodextrin and proquinazid in or on certain products

Commission Regulation (EU) 2022/566 of 7 April 2022 amending Annex II to Regulation (EC) No 396/2005 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards maximum residue levels for flutianil in or on certain products

