



10 Tips for a Successful Demonstration Using LaMotte Products



1. Follow safety protocols for laboratory and outdoor activities for your school or organization.
2. Gather additional items that may be needed – sample bottles, paper towels, first aid kit, trash receptacle, waste containers, etc.
3. Follow the LaMotte testing and sampling procedures included with the LaMotte product.
4. Review Safety Data Sheets (SDS) for all LaMotte reagents prior to handling. They can be found on the LaMotte website at: <https://lamotte.com/support/product-documentation/>
5. Wear appropriate Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) when handling chemical reagents during demonstrations – usually gloves and safety glasses.
6. Do not handle chemical reagents directly. If dispensing tablet reagents, gently push the tablet through the foil package into the sample vial. Use the appropriate pipets and spoons when required.
7. In the field, make sure that the area is safe with easy access. If the area is public, check with local authorities for potential safety or health hazards. If the area is private make sure you have the owner's permission.
8. If collecting or handling macroinvertebrates follow state or county regulations. A fishing or collecting license may be required if macroinvertebrates are considered to be fish bait.
9. Consult reagent Safety Data Sheets (SDS) for the disposal of reacted samples. Some waste may be poured or flushed down the drain. In the field, collect waste in a covered bucket or jar partially filled with tap water for transport. Dispose of reagents containing hazardous ingredients, such as cadmium or mercury salts, according to local, state and federal guidelines. In the field, collect reactions with hazardous reagents in a second container labeled "Hazardous Waste".
10. Leave your sampling site or demonstration area just as you found it.