All-in-one swab
for consistent surface sampling.

The 3M™ Quick Swab is a ready-to-use environmental swab system consisting of a rayon-tipped swab containing letheen neutralizing buffer to facilitate recovery of bacteria. The swabs can be used wet or dry to sample surfaces and quickly deliver 1.0 mL of sample onto a 3M™ Petrifilm™ Plate.

The 3M™ Quick Swab is one of the most efficient and economical methods for environmental swabbing. It can decrease your overall cost by reducing the labor required to prepare, gather and plate the sample. There is no need to prepare neutralizing diluents or use a pipette to add the sample to the plate or test. From technician to technician, accuracy, consistency and reproducibility can be optimized by using the ready available 3M™ Quick Swabs. This means increased labor productivity and plant efficiency – which ultimately impacts and improves your facility’s bottom line.
Fast, consistent and accurate swab sampling.

Sampling procedures made easy:

Wet
1. Label the swab, bend red snap valve at a 45° angle until snapping sound is heard. Squeeze bulb to transfer all the broth to the tube.
2. Remove swab from the tube, and swab targeted area. Place swab back into tube and bring to the lab.
3. Shake tube vigorously for 10 seconds to release bacteria from swab.
4. Pour entire contents of tube onto Petrifilm plate. Discard tube and swab according to protocol.

Dry
1. Remove swab from the tube, and swab targeted area. Place swab back into tube and bring to the lab.
2. Bend red snap valve at a 45° angle until snapping sound is heard. Squeeze bulb to transfer all the broth to the tube.
3. Shake tube vigorously for 10 seconds to release bacteria from swab.
4. Pour entire contents of tube onto Petrifilm plate. Discard tube and swab according to protocol.

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