# MIC Standard Coupon Sampling Protocol



## SAMPLING INSTRUCTIONS

Note: Clean latex gloves (or similar) should be used at all times when handling coupon samplers.

## Installation:

- 1. Place coupon onto coupon holder, taking care not to touch the coupon with bare hands or tools.
- 2. Attach holder into access fitting and tighten the plug to secure.
- 3. Once installed, incubation times vary depending upon the scope of the project.

#### Retrieval:

- 1. Remove the coupon from the coupon holder, taking care not to touch the coupon with bare hands or tools.
- 2. Place each coupon separately into a whirl-pak bag. Affix a label to the bag and write the serial number of the coupon, its location in the line (e.g. top of line, bottom of line, 9 o'clock, etc.), the date and time of collection and the analysis requested.
- 4. Repeat the above for each Coupon Sampler from the site.
- 5. A chain of custody (COC) form must be included with each shipment of samples.

## **SHIPPING INSTRUCTIONS**

## **Packaging Samples:**

- 1. Samples should be shipped in a cooler with ice or blue ice for next day delivery. If regular ice is used, the ice should be double bagged.
- 2. A chain of custody form must be included with each shipment of samples. Access our chain of custody at www.microbe.com.

## Shipment for Weekday Delivery:

Samples for weekday delivery should be shipped to: Attn: Maia Rabinovich

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\*\*Please note Saturday delivery is not available.