# Introduction, need and scope of Standardization of Forensic Labs

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## **BASIC NEEDS**

Improving Quality Of Lab Services

Reliability Of Finding Submitted

Improving Criminal Justice System

 Credible Quality System Operation Of Lab

## **FUNCTIONS**

- Examination Of Crime Scene Exhibits
- Recovery of evidences
- Submission Of Credible Finding (Laboratory Examination)
- Scientific Interpretation Of Finding
- Conclusion for Intelligence purposes
- Conclusion for Criminal Justice

#### **Forensic Science Laboratory**

- Should be a legally identifiable organization
- Should meet the requirement of: National and International Standard
- Should have managerial and technical personnel with adequate authority and resources
- Should have policy and procedure to ensure that its management free from any pressure

- Should have appropriate communication for effective management
- Should protect of customers confidential information
- Should have resources needed to ensure the required quality of laboratory operations
- Should have documented policy system, procedures and instructions
- Should have manuals for technical procedures

# **DISCIPLINES/ACTIVITIES**

- Chemistry
- Toxicology
- Biology
- Serology
- Explosives
- Physics
- Ballistics

- DNA Finger Printing
- Fingerprints
- Narcotics
- Cyber Forensic
- Forensic
  Psychology
- Questioned
  Documents
- Crime Scene
  Investigation

# **HOW TO WRITE SCOPE**

Chemistry

**Exhibit: Petroleum Products** 

**Test Parameter** : Distillation Range

**Test Protocol : - DFS Working Procedure** 

Range Of Testing/Limits Of Operation/Limits Of Detection

## TOXICOLOGY

- Exhibit : Visceral Material(stomach And Intestine With Contents
- Test Performed :Detection Of Poison/Drug
- Test Method : DFS Method Using TLC/GC/GC-MS
- Limits Of Detection: Milligram, Microgram

## SEROLOGY

- Exhibit : Blood
- Test Performed : -Benzedine Test Blood Group Test
   \*Test Method : DFS protocol
   \* Limits Of Detection : N.A

## **EXPLOSIVE**

- Exhibits : Explosive/Debris
- (TNT,RDX,NG etc.)
- Test performed : Detection by TLC/HPLC/GC-MS/FTIR etc.
- Test Method ; DFS manual
- Limits of Detection : ppm/ppb

#### BALLISTICS

Exhibit : Bullets/Cartridge

 Test Performed : Linkage Of Fired Cartridges By Test Firing/Microscopic Examination/Dimension/Comparison/ Elemental Composition

## BIOLOGY

• Exhibits : Hair, bone, skull, teeth

 Test Performed :Microscopic
 Examination, presumptive test, confirmative test

Qualitative Test

#### NARCOTICS

 Exhibits : 1. Opium, Morphine, Poppy Straw
 2.Charas, Ganja ,Bhang
 3. Heroin
 4.Cocaine

\* Test Performed : Qualitative Identification & Quantitative Analysis By TLC/ HPLC / GC / GC-MS /UV-Visible Spectrophotometer

#### PHYSICS

- Exhibits : Foot Print, Tire print And Shoe Print
- Test Performed : Identification And Comparison
- Techniques : Physical/ Dimensional/ Photographic Superimposition Of Known And Questioned Items

#### **DNA FINGERPRINTING**

- Exhibit : Biological Specimen
- Test Performed : Individualization Of Biological Specimen Kinship Of Biological Specimen Paternity / Maternity Test
- Test Method : STR Analysis, DNA Isolation, PCR, Amplification, Genotyping As Per DFS DNA Profiling Document

#### IMPORTANT ISSUES IN FORENSIC LAB

- Managing Case Records
- Scientific Qualification & Experience
- Technical And Personal Competence To Defend Findings
- Evidence Management (Chain Of Custody Record)

### **IMPORTANT ISSUES**

 Selection Of Most Appropriate Test Method / Validation

Health And Safety Management

 Handling And Preserving Integrity Of All Evidences