

NC DAQ Source Test Observers Checklist - Reference Method CEM Testing

Facility Name / Location :		
Facility Contact / Phone #:		
Testing Firm / Contact:		
Permit # / Source Tested:		
Applicable Regulation / Pollutant:		
Process Data / Production Rate (see reverse side):		
Sample Date / Time: Run 1 _____ / _____ - _____ Run 2 _____ / _____ - _____ Run 3 _____ / _____ - _____		
<small>Ask for an explanation to any question answered "No" and attach comments to this form.</small>		
Method 1 - Sample and Velocity Traverses for Stationary Sources	YES	NO
1.1) Method 1 calculated correctly (see reverse side)?		
1.2) Cyclonic flow check completed? (Average of absolute value of all angles <20 degrees?)		
Method 2 - Determination of Stack Gas Velocity and Volumetric Flow Rate	YES	NO
2.1) Pitot tube leak check completed after each run?		
2.2) Visual check of pitot tube heads - good condition?		
2.3) Manometer level and zeroed correctly?		
2.4) Static pressure measured during the test day?		
2.5) Barometric pressure recorded and adjusted for elevation? (see reverse side)		
2.6) Pitot tube heads oriented to axis of flue? / Pitot tube perpendicular to axis of stack?		
2.7) Temperature recorded at each sampling point?		
Method 3 - Gas Analysis for O₂, CO₂, and Dry Molecular Weight	YES	NO
<small>Skip this section if O₂ & CO₂ concentrations are determined via analyzers.</small>		
3.1) Orsat or Fyrites used? (circle)		
3.2) Orsat performed in triplicate? Analysis consistent?		
Method 4 - Determination of Moisture Content in Stack Gases	YES	NO
4.1) Impingers used or some other type of condenser? Multi point sample?		
4.2) H ₂ O in first 2 impingers, 3rd impinger empty, silica gel in 4th impinger?		
4.3) Temperature at the exit of impingers / condenser <68F? (see reverse side)		
4.4) Silica gel in good condition? - Blue-new, Pink-spent (unable to absorb more H ₂ O)		
CEM Methods: Method 3A-O₂/CO₂, M6C-SO₂, M7E-NO_x, M10-CO	YES	NO
5.1) System leak check performed during test day? (not required per method but good Q.A.)		
5.2) Sample point w/in centroid of stack (compliance test)?		
5.3) Sample conditioner / dryer used?		
5.4) Heated sample line used prior to sample conditioner?		
5.5) Moisture visible in the sample line? (Do not explain a "No")		
5.6) Filter used: "In stack" or "heated out of stack"		
5.7) Sample system flow rates within 10% of calibration flowrates?		
5.8) All concentration measurements below the span value for that pollutant?		
5.9) Data Recorder: Digital / Strip chart / Manual / other _____ (circle one)		
5.10) NO _x monitoring: NO ₂ to NO convertor operating? Total NO _x being analyzed?		
5.11) Calibration Error Check performed for all analyzers and within specifications (2% of span)?		
5.12) System Bias Check performed for each analyzer before the first run, between each run, and after the last run?		
5.13) Test team monitoring analyzer zero drift and calibration drift between each run?		

The following page (front/back) should be completed to the extent possible. The data may be transferred from print outs provided by the tester. Preferably, the calibrations should be viewed at the time they are performed to assure monitor stability and correct flowrates for each calibration gas.

CEM Page 2/2	Cal. Gas Values (A)	Direct Cal. Response (B)	Cal. Error % [(A-B)/C]*100 (<2%)	System Cal. Response Pre-Run 1 (R1)	System Bias % Pre -Run 1 [(R1-B)/C]*100 (<5%)	System Cal. Response Pre-Run 2 (R2)	System Bias % Pre-Run 2 [(R2-B)/C]*100 (<5%)	System Cal. Response Pre-Run 3 (R3)	System Bias % Pre-Run 3 [(R3-B)/C]*100 (<5%)	System Cal. Response Post-Run 3 (R4)	System Bias % Post-Run 3 [(R4-B)/C]*100 (<5%)
O₂	0										
Span: (C)											
CO₂	0										
Span: (C)											
SO₂	0										
Span: (C)											
NO_x	0										
Span: (C)											
CO	0										
Span: (C)											

Calibration Error value shall be equal to or less than 2%. System Calibration Bias shall be equal to or less than 5%. The sampling team shall calculate and report the calibration drift for each analyzer between each calibration. The zero drift and calibration drift are limited to 3% of the span over the period of each run. The calculation for drift is:
 (Final system cal. - Initial system cal) / span *100. All calibration gases shall be used for the calibration error test. Only the zero and one span gas are required for the system calibrations.

CEM	Span	Run 1 Maximum Conc.	Run 1 Average Conc.	Run 2 Maximum Conc.	Run 2 Average Conc.	Run 3 Maximum Conc.	Run 3 Average Conc.
O₂							
CO₂							
SO₂							
NO_x							
CO							

CEM Page 1/2	%	Calibration Gas Ranges	Calibration Gas Values	Gas Manufacturer & Cylinder #	Protocol 1 gas?	Expiration Date OK?
O₂	0-10%	0-10%	N ₂ or other non - O ₂ gas			
Span:	40-60%					
	80-100%					
CO₂	0	0	N ₂ or other non - CO ₂ gas			
Span:	40-60%					
	80-100%					
SO₂	0	0	N ₂ or other non - SO ₂ gas			
Span:	40-60%					
	80-100%					
NO_x	0	0	N ₂ or other non - NO _x gas			
Span:	40-60%					
	80-100%					
CO	0	0	N ₂ or other non - CO gas			
Span:	~30%					
	~60%					
	~Span					

To calculate cylinder gas range, multiply span by corresponding percentage (0.4* span, 0.6* span). The calibration gas to be used shall fall within these values. CO gases do not need to be exactly 30%, 60%, and span, but should approximate the percentages. For CO testing, the "Span" gas value can be considered 80-100% of the calibrated span. Method 10 for carbon monoxide has slight variations from method 6c, but most test companies perform CO testing to method 6c requirements.