

## **BOD Checklist**

### **TEST RANGES & REQUIREMENTS**

## **BOD NUTRIENT WATER RANGES**

- DO concentration of at least 7.5mg/L
- Temperature 20° ± 3°C
- pH 6.5 7.5
- Conductivity 125 165 mho/SI

### **BOD TEST RANGES**

- Dilution Water Blanks <2.0mg/L</li>
- Seed Control (SCF) 6.0 1.0mg/L
- GGA Standards 198 ± 30.5

# **CHECKLIST**

# **Equipment:**

#### DO Meter:

- ☑ Meter turned on at least 30 min prior to use
- ☑ Check to ensure membrane is good
- ☑ Calibrate according to manufacturer's instructions
- ☑ Clean probe with Deionized water before use

### **BOD Bottles:**

- ☑ Cleaned with a lab grade soap
- ☑ Triple rinsed with deionized water
- ☑ Acid wash using 10% HCl solution

# Tubing / Air Stones:

- ☑ Check for signs of mold in tubing
- ☑ Replace tubing at least once a month
- ☑ Replace air stones at least once a week
- ☑ Rinse tubing with Deionized water after every use
- ☑ Allow tubing to dry thoroughly before storing it

### **Dilution Water:**

- ☑ Only use Deionized or Distilled water for your test
- ☑ Store source water no more than 24 hrs. in advance
- ☑ Keep source water at 20° ± 1°C
- ☑ Saturate source water before use
- ☑ Add nutrients immediately before use

### Nutrients:

### If you make your own nutrients:

- ☑ Discard nutrients if there is any sign of precipitation or biological growth in the stock bottles
- ☑ Store nutrients at room temperature Commercial nutrients:
- ☑ Use within the expiration date
- ☑ Store according to manufacturer's instructions

# PolySeed:

- ☑ 500ml of BOD water per Capsule (may be adjusted to achieve required results)
- ☑ Aerate and stir for 1 hour
- ☑ Let the solution settle 15 minutes
- ☑ Decant solution into a clean beaker (pour all but 20mls into a clean beaker) to eliminate the bran
- ☑ Place solution back on stir plate and gently stir throughout the test
- ☑ Use at least 4 dilutions for your seed control (15ml, 20ml, 25ml, 30ml)
- ☑ Use 4 ml of PolySeed in your GGA's and Samples
- ☑ Use solution within 6 hours

#### Glucose-Glutamic Acid:

### If you make your own GGA:

- ☑ Use only reagent-grade glucose and reagent-grade glutamic acid
- ☑ Dry at 103°C for 1 hour
- ☑ Add 150 mg glucose and 150 mg glutamic acid to distilled water and dilute to 1L.
- ☑ Prepare fresh immediately before use

#### If you use commercial GGA:

- ☑ Check expiration date
- ☑ Check manufacturer's instructions for proper use