

PRO: Technical Procedures Manuals

Manuals

Each discipline in the laboratory and the crime scene program has a Technical Procedures Manual. The list of manuals includes:

5.1.2

5.4.1

- Comparative Evidence (Firearms & Toolmarks)
 - Trace Evidence
 - Biology
 - Toxicology
 - Chemistry
 - Crime Scene
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Technical Procedures Manuals contents

The Technical Procedures Manuals contain the policies and procedures routinely followed by each discipline or program.

The manuals may also address quality issues specific for each discipline or program not covered in this manual.

5.1.2

Examples: Some common quality issues with discipline-specific solutions may include but are not limited to:

5.4.1

- procedure development and validation
- training requirements
- instrument operation, calibration, and maintenance
- reference standards and, or reference materials
- reagent preparation
- sampling techniques, if appropriate
- estimation of uncertainty of measurement, when appropriate
- measurement traceability, when appropriate
- special evidence handling techniques
- special note keeping and report writing requirements
- special safety requirements

5.4.2

5.9.1.1

Appropriate controls and standards must be specified in the procedures and their use must be recorded in the examination records.
