

New England Biolabs Product Specification

Product Name:	<i>Taq DNA Ligase</i>
Catalog #:	M0208S/L/E
Concentration:	40,000 units/ml
Unit Definition:	One unit is defined as the amount of enzyme required to give 50% ligation of the 12-base pair cohesive ends of 1 µg of BstEII-digested Lambda DNA in a total reaction volume of 50 µl in 15 minutes at 45°C.
Shelf Life:	24 months
Storage Temp:	-20°C
Storage Conditions:	10 mM Tris-HCl, 50 mM KCl, 1 mM DTT, 0.1 mM EDTA, 200 µg/ml rAlbumin, 50 % Glycerol (pH 7.4 @ 25°C)
Specification Version:	PS-M0208S/L/E v3.0
Effective Date:	17 Mar 2024

Assay Name/Specification (minimum release criteria)

Endonuclease Activity (Nicking) - A 50 µl reaction in NEBuffer 4 containing 1 µg of supercoiled PhiX174 DNA and a minimum of 400 units of *Taq* DNA Ligase incubated for 4 hours at 37°C results in <10% conversion to the nicked form as determined by agarose gel electrophoresis.

Exonuclease Activity (Radioactivity Release) - A 50 µl reaction in *Taq* DNA Ligase Reaction Buffer containing 1 µg of a mixture of single and double-stranded [³H] *E. coli* DNA and a minimum of 400 units of *Taq* DNA Ligase incubated for 4 hours at 37°C releases <0.1% of the total radioactivity.

Non-Specific DNase Activity (16 Hour) - A 50 µl reaction in NEBuffer 4 containing 1 µg of Lambda-HindIII DNA and a minimum of 80 units of *Taq* DNA Ligase incubated for 16 hours at 37°C results in a DNA pattern free of detectable nuclease degradation as determined by agarose gel electrophoresis.

Protein Purity Assay (SDS-PAGE) - *Taq* DNA Ligase is ≥ 95% pure as determined by SDS-PAGE analysis using Coomassie Blue detection.

qPCR DNA Contamination (*E. coli* Genomic) - A minimum of 40 units of *Taq* DNA Ligase is screened for the presence of *E. coli* genomic DNA using SYBR® Green qPCR with primers specific for the *E. coli* 16S rRNA locus. Results are quantified using a standard curve generated from purified *E. coli* genomic DNA. The measured level of *E. coli* genomic DNA contamination is ≤ 1 *E. coli* genome.



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RNase Activity (Extended Digestion) - A 10 μ l reaction in NEBuffer 4 containing 40 ng of a 300 base single-stranded RNA and a minimum of 1 μ l of <i>Taq</i> DNA Ligase is incubated at 37°C. After incubation for 16 hours, >90% of the substrate RNA remains intact as determined by gel electrophoresis using fluorescent detection.
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