

## New England Biolabs Product Specification

<b>Product Name:</b>	<i>Taq DNA Polymerase with Standard Taq(Mg-free) Buffer</i>
<b>Catalog #:</b>	M0320S/L/V
<b>Concentration:</b>	5,000 units/ml
<b>Unit Definition:</b>	One unit is defined as the amount of enzyme that will incorporate 15 nmol of dNTP into acid-insoluble material in 30 minutes at 75°C.
<b>Shelf Life:</b>	24 months
<b>Storage Temp:</b>	-20°C
<b>Storage Conditions:</b>	10 mM Tris-HCl, 100 mM KCl, 1 mM DTT, 0.1 mM EDTA, 0.5 % Tween® 20, 0.5 % IGEPAL® CA-630, 50 % Glycerol, (pH 7.4 @ 25°C)
<b>Specification Version:</b>	PS-M0320S/L v2.0
<b>Effective Date:</b>	12 Feb 2020

### Assay Name/Specification (minimum release criteria)

**Endonuclease Activity (Nicking)** - A 50 µl reaction in ThermoPol® Reaction Buffer containing 1 µg of supercoiled PhiX174 DNA and a minimum of 20 units of *Taq* DNA Polymerase incubated for 4 hours at 37°C and 75°C results in <10% conversion to the nicked form as determined by agarose gel electrophoresis.

**Non-Specific DNase Activity (16 Hour)** - A 50 µl reaction in NEBuffer 2 containing 1 µg of T3 or T7 DNA in addition to a reaction containing Lambda-HindIII DNA and a minimum of 5 units of *Taq* DNA Polymerase incubated for 16 hours at 37°C results in a DNA pattern free of detectable nuclease degradation as determined by agarose gel electrophoresis.

**PCR Amplification (5.0 kb Lambda DNA)** - A 50 µl reaction in Standard *Taq* (Mg-free) Reaction Buffer plus 1.5 mM MgCl<sub>2</sub> in the presence of 200 µM dNTPs and 0.2 µM primers containing 5 ng Lambda DNA with 1.25 units of *Taq* DNA Polymerase for 25 cycles of PCR amplification results in the expected 5.0 kb product.

**Phosphatase Activity (pNPP)** - A 200 µl reaction in 1M Diethanolamine, pH 9.8, 0.5 mM MgCl<sub>2</sub> containing 2.5 mM *p*-Nitrophenyl Phosphate (pNPP) and a minimum of 100 units *Taq* DNA Polymerase incubated for 4 hours at 37°C yields <0.0001 unit of alkaline phosphatase activity as determined by spectrophotometric analysis.

**Protein Purity Assay (SDS-PAGE)** - *Taq* DNA Polymerase is ≥ 99% pure as determined by SDS-PAGE analysis using Coomassie Blue detection.



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**qPCR DNA Contamination (*E. coli* Genomic)** - A minimum of 5 units of *Taq* DNA Polymerase is screened for the presence of *E. coli* genomic DNA using SYBR<sup>®</sup> 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  $\leq 1$  *E. coli* genome.

**RNase Activity (Extended Digestion)** - A 10  $\mu$ l reaction in NEBuffer 4 containing 40 ng of a 300 base single-stranded RNA and a minimum of 1  $\mu$ l of *Taq* DNA Polymerase 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.

**Single Stranded DNase Activity (FAM-Labeled Oligo)** - A 50  $\mu$ l reaction in ThermoPol<sup>®</sup> Reaction Buffer containing a 10 nM solution of a fluorescent internal labeled oligonucleotide and a minimum of 25 units of *Taq* DNA Polymerase incubated for 30 minutes at 37°C and 75°C yields <10% degradation as determined by capillary electrophoresis.

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