

Alaska Scientific Crime Detection Laboratory
Change in Instrument Status Form

Version: 6.0

Effective: 1/17/2024

Date: 9/23/2024

Instrument #: B100346 ~~or 10140653~~ MNC 9/23/24

Instrument Location: Wildwood Pretrial

Supervisor Name and Agency: Megan Williams, Kenai Police Department

Describe the Status Change or Issue with the Instrument:

Officer Real with Kenai Police Department used the DMT and was given the error, "Diagnostic Check Failed." The officer moved on and used another agencies DMT.

If instrument was placed in service or removed from service, fill out the appropriate sections below.

In Service Date/Time: Click or tap here to enter text.

Out of Service Date/Time: 9/23/24

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Additional Notes

Click or tap here to enter text.

The Diagnostic Check Failed on 3 tests performed in a row. The breath hose temperature was slightly to low below the passing temperature range. The agency indicated that the DataMaster is positioned near a vent which was blowing cold air. Moving the instrument to a different location further away from the vent was recommended, see e-mail attached. MNC 9/23/24

Email completed form to dps.scdl.toxicology@alaska.gov.

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Approved by: Chemistry Supervisor

From: [Carlock, Megan \(DPS\)](#)
To: [Megan Williams](#)
Cc: [Ryan Grimm](#); [Ryan Coleman](#); [Chad Larsen](#); [Jay Sjogren](#)
Subject: RE: WWPT DMT out of service
Date: Monday, September 23, 2024 1:45:00 PM
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Hi Megan,

That could definitely be the issue. If possible, it would help if the DataMaster was moved further away from the vent. If you could fill out a change in instrument status form to put the instrument back into service, that would be great! Please reach out again if the problem persists and we can reassess the situation.

Thank you,

Megan Carlock (Crouse)
Forensic Scientist II – Chemistry Section
State of Alaska Scientific Crime Detection Laboratory
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From: Megan Williams <mwilliams@kenai.city>
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Subject: Re: WWPT DMT out of service

Megan,

We had an officer check out the DMT. He said the hose was attached properly however he noticed some cold air coming from a vent and suspected that might be the issue. The officer ran a test and it was good to go. Is there anything else you'd like me to do?

Thanks,
Megan

From: Carlock, Megan (DPS) <Megan.Carlock@alaska.gov>
Sent: Monday, September 23, 2024 12:23:06 PM
To: Megan Williams
Cc: Ryan Grimm; Ryan Coleman; Chad Larsen; Jay Sjogren
Subject: RE: WWPT DMT out of service

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Good afternoon,

I reviewed the data files with the Diagnostic Failed error. It appears that the breath hose temperature was slightly too low for all three tests. Could you take a look at the DataMaster and make sure the breath hose connection and the beath tube power connection are secure in the back of the instrument? Please let me know if this does not resolve the problem.

Thank you,

Megan Carlock (Crouse)

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From: Megan Williams <mwilliams@kenai.city>

Sent: Monday, September 23, 2024 9:37 AM

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