

Lab Audit Fee Schedule

In order to remain listed as an NFC Forum Authorized Test Laboratory, laboratories must undergo an onsite audit. The purpose of the audit is to assess the laboratory’s compliance with the Certification Policy. Laboratories are responsible for the costs associated with the audits.

The NFC Forum introduced a lab audit fee structure in July 2014. Thanks to efficiencies identified, the fee structure has been updated and now consists of two (instead of three) components:

- An audit fee
- A travel time and expense charge

See details represented in the table below:

Fee	Assessment
Audit Fee	US \$3,400
Travel – Expense	Hotel, meals, and transport expenses associated with a given audit
Travel – Time	US \$70 per hour is assessed for travel time associated with an audit
Other	US \$140 per hour, in the event that a lab requires more than 24 hours of the auditor’s time to complete the assessment.

Going forward laboratories will be invoiced directly by the Auditor for the Audit Fee, travel expenses, travel time, and any additional assessor hours based on the above guidelines. The auditor bill must be paid in full prior to the lab being listed or renewed as an Authorized Test Laboratory on the website.

For more information on the scope, process and frequency, see the [Authorized Test Lab Requirements](#).