

Schedule of the Containerboard Program

The Containerboard Program is divided into a Weekly Program that provides 48 tests per year and a Monthly Program that provides 12 tests per year. For both the Weekly Program and the Monthly Program, test samples are shipped monthly. Participants in corrugated box compression analysis receive the entire year worth of testing samples (60 boxes) in one shipment, but testing is done on a monthly basis.

The Weekly Program includes both primary linerboard analyses and primary corrugating medium analyses. All weekly linerboard tests are performed on 42 lb linerboard every month with 36 lb and 69 lb linerboard used in alternating months. Medium testing is conducted on 26 lb medium. Labs are provided samples and data sheets to report data for all 4 weeks in the month; labs are encouraged to submit data as testing is completed.

The Monthly Program includes corrugated box compression analysis, corrugated board edge crush analysis, as well as additional linerboard analyses. Labs are provided sufficient sample to report data once each month.

Please refer to the chart below for more information on the schedule of the Containerboard Program.

Monthly Letter	Month	Schedule	Weekly Program Samples	Monthly Program Samples
A	January	Samples sent 2 nd week of December Testing is conducted in January Data is due by 1 st Monday in February	42 lb linerboard <i>69 lb linerboard</i> 26 lb medium	All samples
B	February	Samples sent 2 nd week of January Testing is conducted in February Data is due by 1 st Monday in March	42 lb linerboard <i>36 lb linerboard</i> 26 lb medium	All samples
C	March	Samples sent 2 nd week of February Testing is conducted in March Data is due by 1 st Monday in April	42 lb linerboard <i>69 lb linerboard</i> 26 lb medium	All samples
D	April	Samples sent 2 nd week of March Testing is conducted in April Data is due by 1 st Monday in May	42 lb linerboard <i>36 lb linerboard</i> 26 lb medium	All samples
E	May	Samples sent 2 nd week of April Testing is conducted in May Data is due by 1 st Monday in June	42 lb linerboard <i>69 lb linerboard</i> 26 lb medium	All samples
F	June	Samples sent 2 nd week of May Testing is conducted in June Data is due by 1 st Monday in July	42 lb linerboard <i>36 lb linerboard</i> 26 lb medium	All samples
H	July	Samples sent 2 nd week of June Testing is conducted in July Data is due by 1 st Monday in August	42 lb linerboard <i>69 lb linerboard</i> 26 lb medium	All samples

J	August	Samples sent 2 nd week of July Testing is conducted in August Data is due by 1 st Monday in September	42 lb linerboard <i>36 lb linerboard</i> 26 lb medium	All samples
K	September	Samples sent 2 nd week of August Testing is conducted in September Data is due by 1 st Monday in October	42 lb linerboard <i>69 lb linerboard</i> 26 lb medium	All samples
L	October	Samples sent 2 nd week of September Testing is conducted in October Data is due by 1 st Monday in November	42 lb linerboard <i>36 lb linerboard</i> 26 lb medium	All samples
M	November	Samples sent 2 nd week of October Testing is conducted in November Data is due by 1 st Monday in December	42 lb linerboard <i>69 lb linerboard</i> 26 lb medium	All samples
N	December	Samples sent 2 nd week of November Testing is conducted in December Data is due by 1 st Monday in January	42 lb linerboard <i>36 lb linerboard</i> 26 lb medium	All samples