Testing Procedure

Involving the person wanting a test as an equal participant in observing and interpreting the result.

**Important**

Testers never **NEVER TOUCH THE DRUGS** or the sample! Testers never ever take the sample themselves from the powder, pill or liquid container, ever!! **Never, ever, no exceptions, m’kay!!**

1. **Mandatory check:** Have you read the disclaimer?
   - Do you understand what it means?
   - Do you have any questions about it?

2. **Test tracking form:** Write down the believed substance or purpose of test.

3. **Check:** Gloves? Clean plate?

4. **Person takes the sample** *(tester does not take or touch the sample)*:
   - **Powder:** use a stir stick to make 4 piles the size of pinheads around the plate
   - **Pill:** use the xacto knife to scrape off a little sample and make four piles the size of pinheads on the plate
   - **Check:** samples are spaced far apart so reagents don’t mix
   - **Single use ampoule:** have person place sample directly into ampoule

5. **Colour chart:** Show the person the colour chart
   - Point out what colour you (tester) and they (person) are looking for as positive
   - Point out the timeline to check results (0-20sec)

6. **Test 1:** Choose the test best suited for the believed substance
   - Drop 1 drop of reagent onto one sample pile

7. **Test ++:** Use other tests each on a separate sample to cross reference or test more

8. **Test tracking form:** Record tests used and results obtained

**MANDATORY:**

9. **Tell person about** disposal service *(if available)*

10. **Positive test result** → **harm reduction checklist**
    - Dosing strategy – start small and take it easy
    - Potential risks
    - Safety tips

11. **Other services:** Ask person if knows about other services on site: First Aid and Sanctuary

12. **Info table:** Encourage use of info table

13. **Reset:** Wipe up spills and get a clean plate BEFORE next person