

CCRL Proficiency Samples Availability of Extra Samples

CCRL distributes pairs of proficiency samples for eight different construction materials. These samples are available on a subscription basis and scheduled for distribution throughout the year. When these samples are prepared, additional samples are stored and made available after the proficiency testing of the samples is complete. A final report documenting consensus values for material properties is available on the CCRL website (www.ccrl.us). These extra samples have been used to evaluate problems a laboratory may have with equipment or procedures, training of new technicians, setting up new equipment, research purposes, or used as blind samples by accrediting agencies. A fee (see below) is charged for these samples and availability is first come first serve.

Fees for extra CCRL Proficiency Samples are as follows (note: samples are sold as a single sample and not a pairs):

	Portland Cement	Concrete	Blended Cement	Masonry Cement	Concrete Masonry Units	Masonry Mortar	Pozzolan	Steel Reinforcing Bar
Physical	\$119	\$198	\$113	\$215	\$268	\$213	\$168	\$183
Chemical	\$105		\$100				\$115	

Note: Shipping for concrete samples is additional. Domestic shipping is included for physical and chemical samples.

The CCRL Proficiency Sample Programs are intended for internal use by laboratories as a tool to identify and correct problems in laboratory procedures or test equipment and to initiate remedial actions. These programs are designed to complement the CCRL Laboratory Inspection Program as part of a total quality system. Care should be taken when using this program for any other use.