

DNA Testing

A Brief Introduction

Please find detailed herein answers to commonly asked questions with regards to our DNA testing.

[Are you Court and UKBA/Home Office Approved?](#)

We can be attested to on the Direct Gov website as an accredited provider for both DNA and Drug and Alcohol testing. DNA Legal hold all the correct ISO accreditations and have the added benefit of being an active provider of such testing since 2004.

[What's the Process for Paternity Testing?](#)

The process will go as follows. We have the option of using our nationwide and global network of accredited clinics, or our home collection service through a nationwide network of trained sample collectors. The samples will be taken by a trained doctor/sample collector and transported to our laboratory for analysis. The mother is not required in the process; developments in DNA have allowed for concise analysis and statistical conclusions of 99.999999% certainty through analysis of autosomal, and X- and Y-chromosomal (sex linked) DNA markers. Results will be issued approximately 3 working days from receipt of the samples at the laboratory. All collectors are familiar with Public Law proceedings, and as such if the case involves ICOs our practices in place will ensure that privacy is adhered to strictly at all times.

[Costings](#)

All costings are within LAA guidelines for DNA testing. Typically for a standard paternity test with 1 child you are looking at a price of £299 (ex VAT). A third donor can be added for an extra

A home collection for up to 3 individuals at the same property is £90 (ex VAT).

[Timescales](#)

As mentioned, typically the turnaround times for maternity/paternity tests will be approximately 3 working days with options to expedite to 24hr or 48hr. For more complex familial analyses, such as sibling, avuncular or grandparental you are looking at a slightly longer turnaround time of 5-7 working days. This is because we typically need to continue testing more DNA Markers given the lower number of shared DNA markers between this more distantly-related individuals.

Collection of sample can usually be initiated and conducted within 48 hours of instruction.

[Accuracy](#)

DNA Legal provides conclusive results. We offer a 99.999999% accuracy on all relationship testing, even so far as venturing to cousin testing in extreme circumstances. DNA Legal has the largest testable library of markers in the industry (68), which allows us to offer unrivalled scope for accuracy and complex testing cases and as such our accuracy levels are the highest in the UK – and we can perform analysis of complex cases that no other provider can. We will never leave a case incomplete; we will always provide the clarity you seek to expect.

I hope this clarifies your concerns, and should you require any further assistance in the meantime please do feel free to send myself an email or discuss on my direct dial below.