# **Asphalt**

## Aim of the Program

This proficiency testing program aims to assess laboratories' ability to competently perform the tests in accordance with the AS 2891; and to provide participants with external quality assurance to enhance accuracy and reliability.

### **Application of the Program to Accreditation**

Participation in this proficiency testing program satisfies the requirements of ISO/IEC 17025:2017 – *General Requirements for the Competence of Testing and Calibration Laboratories* for monitoring performance by comparing results with other laboratories.

# **Program Details**

The Asphalt program is an annual program comprised of one round per year.

Samples - One bucket of asphalt mix.

Tests – Bitumen Content, Maximum Density, Bulk Density, Air Voids and Grading measurements.

## **Statistical Analysis:**

A robust z-score technique is used to assess performance.

## Reporting:

At the conclusion of each round, each participant receives a confidential individual summary sheet, detailing its performance in the program, and a final program report summarising all participant data.

#### Confidentiality

Each participant is assigned a unique code number, keeping all results anonymous in all PTA reports and publications.

### **Fees and Further Information**

For information on program fees or other enquiries, please contact PTA directly:

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