

DNA EVIDENCE IDENTIFICATION, COLLECTION AND PRESERVATION

MODULE 3: EVIDENCE COLLECTION AND PRESERVATION

Instruction: Read carefully and circle the correct answer

1. Swabbing a stain with distilled or sterile water works best on
 - A. Porous surfaces
 - B. When a latent print is visible
 - C. Non-porous surfaces
 - D. All of the above

2. Semen in a condom collected for analysis should be
 - A. drained on an absorbent material
 - B. secure the condom then place in a hard container
 - C. secure the condom and place in a paper container
 - D. All of the above

3. Plastic evidence bags are considered the best overall choice for packaging evidence
 - A. True
 - B. False

4. Blood stained clothing should be
 - A. Packaged all together, while wet, in a plastic bag
 - B. Packaged all together, while wet, in a paper bag
 - C. Air dried, packaged separately, in a paper bag
 - D. Freeze, package separately, in a plastic bag

5. If items are found together (such as cigarette butts in an ashtray), they should be packaged together
 - A. True
 - B. False

6. Acceptable methods of sealing evidence bags/containers include
 - A. Evidence tape
 - B. Staples
 - C. Masking tape
 - D. All of the above

7. To preserve DNA evidence you should
 - A. Freeze it
 - B. Keep it as warm as possible
 - C. Keep evidence cool
 - D. All of the above is acceptable

8. When collecting fingernail scrapings
 - A. Collect scrapings and toothpick into a piece of folded paper, one for each hand
 - B. Use separate toothpicks for each hand
 - C. Use round end of toothpicks
 - D. All of the above

9. When scraping a dried stain you should
 - A. Use the edge of a DL license or credit card
 - B. Scrape an unstained area for a control sample
 - C. Scrape flakes into a plastic bag
 - D. Use a sterile, disposable scalpel

10. Chain of custody for evidence is used to
 - A. Establish that all evidence is from the suspect
 - B. Identifies all persons present at the crime scene
 - C. Identifies all persons who had possession of evidence
 - D. All of the above