

Check List for Lab Reports

Below you will find the standards of a lab report.

Of course these are not all topics we are looking for, but it is a good base to start from. So be sure to fulfil **at least** these points and look for the exemplary report.

General:

	Standard not fulfilled
Table of contents	<input type="checkbox"/>
Pagination (not handwritten)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Margin for corrections (5cm to the right-hand side)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Introduction to the experiment	<input type="checkbox"/>
Additional information from supervisor or deviation from lab manual	<input type="checkbox"/>
Device list (precise device designation!)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Clear schematic diagrams with correct symbols	<input type="checkbox"/>
Separation of experimental and analysis part (calculated data is a part of the analysis, not a part of the experimental)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Structured analysis and concise answers to the questions	<input type="checkbox"/>
Conclusions from the results	<input type="checkbox"/>
All tasks performed	<input type="checkbox"/>
Literature / sources specified	<input type="checkbox"/>
Lab notes attached	<input type="checkbox"/>
Prior Lab reports attached (if sequel assignment)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Variables are italic, units are not italic, blank between symbol and unit (in formulas too)	<input type="checkbox"/>

Tables:

	Standard not fulfilled
Variables are italic	<input type="checkbox"/>
Stating of units (including conversion factor; not italic)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Order and structure	<input type="checkbox"/>
Attach a "–" to cells without measured data	<input type="checkbox"/>
Table caption (Table ##: <content of table>)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Measured data correct and complete recorded (significant figures, all data recorded)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Content of table discussed	<input type="checkbox"/>
Comment on missing / neglected data	<input type="checkbox"/>
State formulas for calculated values	<input type="checkbox"/>

Diagrams:

	Standard not fulfilled
Variables are italic	<input type="checkbox"/>
Stating of units (not italic)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Drawing curve through data (interpolated)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Correct axes labelling (variables, units, origin, arrows in ascending direction)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Discussion of diagram	<input type="checkbox"/>
Comment on missing / neglected data	<input type="checkbox"/>
Figure caption (Figure ##: <content of diagram>)	<input type="checkbox"/>
No calculation or description within the diagram	<input type="checkbox"/>

Formulas:

	Standard not fulfilled
Stating the origin	<input type="checkbox"/>
Comment on all variables (if not in schematic diagram)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Comprehensible derivation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Enumeration of formulas on right-hand side (if referred to)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Correct typesetting of formulas (no . or *, correct roots, fractions ...)	<input type="checkbox"/>