

<b>Catalog #</b>	3218	3219
<b>Package Size</b>	2,000 units	10,000 units
<b>Volume</b>	50 µl	250 µl
<b>Concentration</b>	40 units/µl	

## Description

*Taq* DNA Ligase catalyzes the formation of a phosphodiester bond in duplex DNA containing adjacent 5'-phosphoryl and 3'-hydroxyl termini, using NAD<sup>+</sup> as a cofactor. The ligation will occur only if the oligonucleotides are perfectly paired to the complementary target DNA and have no gaps between them; therefore, a single-base substitution can be detected. *Taq* DNA Ligase is active at elevated temperatures (45°C-70°C) <sup>(1,2)</sup>.

## Protein Purity

The physical purity of this enzyme is ≥99% as assessed by SDS-PAGE with Coomassie® blue staining (see figure below).

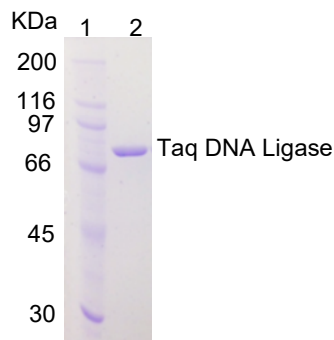


Figure: Lane 1. Protein Marker  
Lane 2. *Taq* DNA Ligase

## Product Source

*E. coli* strain expressing the cloned *Taq* DNA ligase gene from *Thermus aquaticus* HB8

## Applications

- Allele-specific gene detection by using Ligase Detection Reaction (LDR) and Ligase Chain Reaction (LCR) <sup>(1)</sup>.
- Mutagenesis by incorporation of a phosphorylated oligonucleotide during primer extension amplification <sup>(3)</sup>.

## Product Includes

- 1) *Taq* DNA Ligase
- 2) 10X *Taq* DNA Ligase Buffer with NAD<sup>+</sup>

## Storage Temperature

-20 °C

## Storage Buffer

50 mM Tris-HCl, 50 mM KCl, 1 mM DTT, 0.1 mM EDTA, 50% Glycerol, pH 7.5 @ 25 °C

## 10X *Taq* DNA Ligase reaction buffer with NAD<sup>+</sup>

500 mM Tris-HCl, 100 mM MgCl<sub>2</sub>, 100 mM DTT, 10 mM NAD<sup>+</sup>, pH 7.5 @ 25°C

## Unit Definition

One unit is defined as the amount of *Taq* DNA Ligase required to join 50% of 1 µg of the 12-base cohesive ends of Lambda DNA cut with Sma I and Sal I in 50 µl reaction in 15 min incubation at 45 °C.

## Quality Control

*Taq* DNA Ligase is free from detectable RNase or contaminating DNA endonuclease activities.

## Protocol

1. Set-up the reaction as follows:

DNA	x µl (up to 1 µg)
10X <i>Taq</i> DNA Ligase Buffer	5.0 µl
<i>Taq</i> DNA Ligase	2.0 µl
H <sub>2</sub> O up to	50.0 µl

2. Incubate at 50 °C for 15-30 minutes.

## References

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