

### Calculation for Measurement Assurance of Section Balances

$$U_{\text{final}} = \sqrt{N} \times U_{\text{balance}}$$

Where:

$U_{\text{final}}$  = Final uncertainty for the measurement process

$U_{\text{balance}}$  = Total Expanded Uncertainty for the balance

Coverage Factor (k)=3 for a 99.7% confidence interval

N = number of weighings

When N = 1 for a single weighing event this equation becomes:

$$U_{\text{final}} = \sqrt{N} \times U_{\text{balance}}$$

$$U_{\text{final}} = \sqrt{1} \times U_{\text{balance}}$$

Therefore

$$U_{\text{final}} = U_{\text{balance}}$$

For the North Carolina State Crime Laboratory Drug Chemistry Section, the current values for a single weighing event effective 01/01/2019 are:

<u>Type of Balance</u>	<u><math>U_{\text{balance}}</math></u>
Section Wide Table top	+/- 0.05 gram
Section Wide Analytical	+/- 0.0007 gram
Triad Lab Bulk	+/- 0.002 kilogram
Raleigh Lab Bulk	+/- 0.10 kilogram
Western Lab (2 pt) Bulk	+/- 0.01 kilogram
Western Lab (3 pt) Bulk	+/- 0.002 kilogram