**Purpose:**

To assure that testing on the TANGO is initiated correctly.

**Procedure:**

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| **Step** | **Action** | **Related Documents**  |
| **A.** | After plates, samples and reagents have been loaded and the appropriate tests have been ordered, touch the ‘Start’ button in the Main Menu. The system checks to ensure that all reagents and resources are loaded on the analyzer |  |
| 1. | The maximum number of samples which can be started at one time is limited to 144. |  |
| **B.** | Touch the ‘OK’ button when the system check indicates that the instrument can be started. |  |
| 1. | If the ‘Start’ window indicates that not all necessary reagents are on the TANGO and the run cannot be started, select ‘Cancel’ and load the missing reagents/resources.* After loading missing reagents/resources, touch ‘Start’ from the Main Menu or touch ‘Start’.
* The ‘Start’ button can also be selected before missing reagents/resources are loaded. The TANGO will complete testing for which the reagents are available. When testing is completed, additional reagents can be loaded and ‘Start’ pressed again to complete the previously ordered tests.

NOTE: If plates are missing, ‘Start’ cannot be selected. Touch ‘Cancel’ to load missing plates. |  |

**Referenced Documents:**

TANGO User Guide, Version 3.0.2