

WELL-CHECK SAMPLING INSTRUCTIONS



Please read all instructions completely before collecting your water sample



Samples must be shipped the same day they are collected via guaranteed next day delivery. DO NOT collect and/or ship your water samples on Friday, Saturday or the day before a National Holiday.

To ensure valid bacteria results, overnight shipping arrangements should be made prior to beginning your water sample collection. Samples should be collected after 1:00 p.m. Eastern Time.

This test kit represents one sampling location. If you require testing on multiple locations you will need to purchase multiple test kits.

- 1. Freeze the blue gel ice pack for at least 8 hours prior to sample collection. Return to cooler just prior to sampling and/or return shipping.
- Remove any aerators, strainers, mixers or purifiers from the tap. Disinfect the spigot using alcohol or flame (if metal). If you suspect methane in your water, do not use flame. Run the cold water for approximately 3-5 minutes, then adjust the flow to a thin stream to avoid splashing or overfilling.
- 3. Fill the large rectangular bottle to the neck, cap securely and return it to the cooler.
- 4. Remove the seal from the 125 ml bacteria bottle. Use care not to touch the inside of the cap or bottle as you may contaminate your sample. **Please do not rinse the bottle, it contains a preservative**. Fill bacteria bottle to the 100 ml fill line on the bottle, cap securely and return to the cooler.
- 5. Complete the enclosed lab form, <u>make sure to indicate the collection date and time you sampled</u>, type of water (treated/untreated) and sample identification which identifies where you collected your sample (i.e., kitchen sink, well head, etc.). Retain a copy of the lab form for your records and return the completed form to the shipping container.
- 6. Mail your sample to the following testing location. Sample must be sent via guaranteed overnight delivery. ✓ Don't forget to complete and return the lab form with the sample shipment!

Testing Location: National Testing Laboratories, Ltd.

556 South Mansfield Street

Ypsilanti, MI 48197

7. PLEASE NOTE: Testing typically takes 5-7 business days from receipt of sample. Results will be emailed upon completion.

NOTE: The lab reserves the right to reject water samples that appear to be excessively contaminated as they may cause potential damage to laboratory equipment.

If you have any questions regarding this Well-Check Test or any other services we provide, please contact a Technical Service Representatives at 1-800-458-3330 for assistance

Thank you for choosing National Testing Laboratories, Ltd., for your water testing services!