

COLLECTING WATER SAMPLE

1. You **must** use a sample container provided by an approved laboratory. **Samples in unapproved bottles will not be accepted.**
2. You should find a proper location to take sample. We suggest an outside faucet that does not leak. **(Avoid rubber hoses, dirty areas, and faucets with nearby vegetation.)**
 - Do **not** take samples from kitchen or bathroom sinks.
 - Avoid sampling on windy or rainy days.
 - Disinfect faucet with pure bleach and allow it to sit for a few minutes.
 - Use a toothbrush or q-tip to clean the inside and outside of faucet.
 - Allow faucet to run on full flow for three minutes to clear the line.
 - Reduce flow rate to a slow trickle to take sample. Fill to **shoulder** of sample bottle. **Lab needs more than 100ml in order to run excessive chlorine residual test on all samples. (See back of page for bottle illustration of correct level.)**
3. Be careful in handling sample bottles. **They are easily contaminated.**
 - Do **not** rinse container. **White substance or small tablet in bottle is normal.**
 - Do **not** touch the inside of the bottle or lid.
 - Do **not** place lid on ground. Remove lid, collect sample, and replace lid as quickly as possible. **Airborne particles can contaminate your sample.**

SAMPLE DELIVERY

4. Samples should be prepared properly for transport. **Leaking samples will not be accepted.**
 - Sample must arrive to lab within 24 hours.
 - Sample should be placed on reusable ice pack until delivered to lab.
 - Sample submission form will be provided by the lab. **Sampler name, sample point, date and time collected, and sampler contact information must be present. Lab will assist in filling out form if needed.**

NORMAL SAMPLING HOURS: MONDAY – THURSDAY 8am-4pm

FRIDAY:8am- 2pm

PLEASE CALL LAB TO CHECK SCHEDULE

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WATER SAMPLE VOLUME



Remove plastic seal before filling container.

Do not rinse out container.

Please fill to the **shoulder** of container as marked above.

Samples containing not enough or too much water will be rejected.

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