

FAST LEAD SAMPLING INSTRUCTIONS

STOP PLEASE READ ALL INSTRUCTIONS COMPLETELY BEFORE COLLECTING YOUR WATER SAMPLE STOP

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

1. **To get a worst case scenario of lead water must sit idle in your plumbing for at least 6 hours before sampling.** Therefore, do not use any water in the house (including showering or flushing the toilet) for 6-8 hours before sampling. The best times to sample are early morning or after returning home from work.
2. Select an unfiltered/untreated faucet in the KITCHEN or BATHROOM that is commonly used for drinking. DO NOT sample from a laundry sink or a hose spigot as these samples cannot be used for compliance. DO NOT use a faucet that has a filter attached to it unless you bypass the filter. DO NOT use a faucet that is connected to a home water treatment device (like a water softener, iron filter, reverse osmosis) unless you bypass the home water treatment device. DO NOT remove any strainer or aerator from the faucet, samples should be collected with the strainer/aerators intact.
3. When water has not been used for at least 6 hours, the sample may be collected. This could be first thing in the morning or when arriving home after work. Fill your sample bottle to the neck with COLD water. The sample bottle must be filled using the FIRST water that comes out of the tap. DO NOT LET THE WATER RUN BEFORE FILLING THE BOTTLE. Replace the cap on the bottle.
4. Fill the bottle to the neck, cap securely.
5. Complete the enclosed lab form, **making sure to indicate the collection date and time you sampled**, type of water (treated/untreated) and sample identification or source 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. **It is not necessary to ship by an overnight delivery service. Ground, Saver, or 2nd day delivery is sufficient. Cost of shipping samples to the laboratory is at your expense.**

Testing Location: **National Testing Laboratories, Ltd.
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Ypsilanti, MI 48197**

7. PLEASE NOTE: Testing typically takes approximately 3-5 business days from receipt of samples. 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 Fast Lead Test or any other services we provide, please contact a Technical Service Representative at National Testing Laboratories at 1-800-458-3330 for assistance.

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