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RESIDENTIAL WATER TESTING FOR BACTERIA
PRIVATE RESIDENTIAL WATER SUPPLIES

Samples are accepted: **MONDAY & TUESDAY**

Results may be picked up: **THURSDAY**

CHARGE: \$20.00 (includes before and after filter)

COLLECTION OF RESIDENTIAL WATER SAMPLES

1. **Pick up** sterile bottles or bags from the Laboratory.
2. **If you have a filter** on the system, be sure to **let the lab person know** you need containers for both before and after the filter samples.
3. **Do not open** the sterile bottle **until ready** to take the sample.
4. Let **COLD water run two (2) to four (4) minutes** to insure a true sample.
5. Fill bottle to the neck with water making sure to **avoid rinsing out the additive** pre-added to the sample container by the laboratory.
6. Hold the cap and the bottle. **Do not touch with fingers** or set down on the **counter**. Avoid all possible contamination from counter or from fingers.
7. Bring sample to the laboratory the **same day** sample is taken and **keep it cool**. If it is necessary to take in the evening, refrigerate and bring to the lab the next morning.
8. Remember the laboratory only **accepts samples on Monday & Tuesday** for residential testing.