

Drinking Water Lab Information

1) City of Marquette Water Filtration Plant

320 N. Lakeshore Blvd, Marquette

Phone: 906/228.0488

Bottles available at their location and the Marquette County Health Department

- Bacteriological Sample (Total coliform bacteria): \$20.00
- You Must go to the City Treasurer office to pay for the sample and bring receipt with you to drop off your water sample at the plant
- If you have a positive sample they will re-test for free (one sample only).
- Lab is open 24 hrs/day
- You must call the water filtration plant prior to sample delivery to gain entry into the facility

2) Ishpeming Area Wastewater Treatment Facility

700 Sunset Drive, Ishpeming

Phone: 906/486.4391

Bottles available at their location and the Marquette County Health Department

- Bacteriological Sample (Total coliform bacteria): \$13.00 payable by cash or check
- Sample drop-off hours: Monday thru Friday 6:30 am to 4:00 pm
- If you want the Marquette County Health Department to receive a copy of your water result you must request the lab fax us a copy.

3) State of Michigan Drinking Water Laboratory-Lansing

- Partial Chemistry Sample \$18.00
- Sample Bottles Available at the Marquette County Health Department
- Collect your sample on Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday and mail the same day.
- Make checks payable to "State of Michigan".

NOTE: THE LABORATORY WILL NOT TEST SAMPLE WITHOUT PAYMENT IN ADVANCE

INSTRUCTIONS FOR TAKING WATER SAMPLES and Drinking Water Lab Information

Be Safe Sample Your Water Supply

- ✓ After any repair work is done to the well, water pump, storage tank or distribution system that required the loss of water pressure.
- ✓ Putting the well back into operation after it was drained to prevent freezing.
- ✓ Before putting a new well into operation. (Note: Sampling a new well prior to placing it into operation is required by state law and by the permit issued to construct it. The law requires owners to collect this sample or arrange for its collection through the Health Department.)
- ✓ Sample annually during the spring and/or fall to assure the quality of your water has not changed.

To Assure You Get the Results You Want It is Important To Do The Following

- ✓ Disinfect your water supply prior to sampling. It is recommended that a licensed water well contractor complete this task. However, directions to disinfect your well are available on the Health Department's website. *(Note: The only exception are wells which have previously met State Drinking Water Standards and whose service has been uninterrupted) .*
- ✓ Samples should never be taken on a holiday or just prior to a holiday.
- ✓ All samples should be taken from the sample tap at the storage tank (if available) and mailed the same day they are collected.
- ✓ Let water run until you hear the pump turn on.
- ✓ Complete all sections on the Request For Water Analysis form provided in the test kit.
- ✓ If you have drilled a new well include your water well permit number under "Well Number". Also enter your Property Tax ID Number under "Site Code". This number begins with a 52 and is located on your tax bill or notice.