

HOW CAN I FIND OUT WHAT TO TEST MY WATER FOR?

Here are some clues or symptoms to look for to help you decide what you need tested:

1. **ODORS:** If your water smells like:
a. Sulfur or rotten egg.....Total & Fecal Coliform and Hydrogen Sulfide
b. Oil or gasoline.....TPH GRO & TPH DRO
c. Fishy, sweet.....Volatile Organic Chemicals (VOC's)
d. Musty, Earthy.....Total & Fecal Coliform Bacteria
e. Chlorine smell.....Chlorine
Have your water tested for:
2. **COLORS:** If your water looks like:
a. Bluish/green..... Copper and Lead Corrosivity/Langelier Index
b. Brown/orange/yellow.....Iron or Iron Bacteria
c. Grey/cloudy/sediment.....Total & Fecal Coliform bacteria Silica Total Dissolved Solids
d. White residue on glasses.....Sodium Total Hardness
e. Black staining of fixtures/laundry.....Manganese
f. Soap scum, soap doesn't lather.....Total Hardness
Have your water tested for:
3. **TASTES:** If your water has this taste:
a. Alkali /soda.....Taste & Odor Problems Grouping
b. Metallic.....Discolored Water Grouping
c. Salty, brackish.....Sodium, Chloride, Sulfate
Have your water tested for:
4. **SMALL CHILDREN/BABIES IN HOME:**
Have your water tested for:
Total & Fecal Coliform Bacteria Lead,
Nitrate, Nitrate Fluoride
5. **NEW WELL**.....Have your water tested for:
New Well Grouping
6. **OLDER WELL**.....Have your water tested for:
Total & Fecal Coliform bacteria Lead, Nitrate, Nitrite (FHA
grouping), Heavy Metals Group 1, Heavy Metals Group 2
7. **CORROSIVE WATER**.....Have your water tested for:
Corrosivity/Langelier Index

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