Kenosha County Division of Health

Health Clinic

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DIRECTIONS FOR COLLECTING A WATER SAMPLE FOR BACTERIOLOGY

<u>Note</u>: If the well has been temporarily chlorinated, it is necessary to pump until it is free of chlorine before sampling.

- 1. Keep sample bottle closed until it is to be filled.
- 2. Use cold water faucet. (NO SWIVEL OR SWING FAUCETS). Avoid water softener faucet, if possible.
- 3. Remove faucet attachments such as a screen or aerator.
- 4. Sterilize <u>metal</u> taps by heating with a flame (butane lighter, propane torch, etc.) **Do not flame plastic faucets or faucets containing internal plastic parts!**
- 5. Open tap fully and let water run for 3 or 4 minutes.
- 6. Reduce water flow to permit filling bottle without splashing.
- 7. Take care not to touch the top of the bottle or the inside of the cap. Fill sterile sample bottle to the shoulder.
- 8. Replace cap securely.
- 9. Transfer samples to laboratory within 30 hours that sample it collected.
- 10. Please PRINT top and left portions of the other side of this form in BLACK INK, and return with water sample.

DIRECTIONS FOR COLLECTING A WATER SAMPLE FOR NITRATES (separate collection kit)

- 1. Collect water sample, filling small collection bottle to shoulder. Securely tighten cap on bottle.
- 2. Place the capped bottle in a small plastic bag and seal.
- 3. Place the sealed bottle bag into a <u>larger</u> plastic bag. Add several ice cubes with a little water, and seal the outer bag.
- 4. Transport the sealed bags inside a Styrofoam box or insulated cooler to the drop off site.

NO SPECIAL PROCEDURES ARE REQUIRED FOR FLUORIDE COLLECTION (same kit as Nitrate)

Fill out the form and bring it with your water in any clean capped container to the drop off site.

DIRECTIONS FOR COLLECTING A WATER SAMPLE FOR ARSENIC (separate kit from bacteria, nitrate & fluoride)

- 1. Select faucet used for obtaining drinking water (kitchen or bathroom sinks). Water should remain in plumbing 6-12 hours before collecting samples.
- 2. DO NOT use pressure tank sampling tap, an outside tap or laundry tub faucet (contains lead and copper).
- 3. Turn on cold water, remove cap, place bottle under the stream of water, fill to the shoulder without overflowing, and remove bottle from stream and cap it. DO NOT rinse bottle.
- 4. Place bottle in insulated carrier with completed information form.

Return sample, within 24 hours of collection, to laboratory address listed above. Samples older than 30 hours will not be analyzed.

The laboratory will accept water samples: Monday through Thursday 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

All three tests (Bacteriology, Nitrates, Fluorides) cost \$30.00 each (\$80.00 for all 3)
Arsenic Test (5-10 day turnaround) cost \$35.00.
Arsenic Test RUSH (2-3 day turnaround) cost \$70.00

NO SAMPLES WILL BE ACCEPTED ON FRIDAYS OR THE DAY BEFORE A HOLIDAY.

A verbal report may be obtained by calling the lab after 3 PM the following day. A report can be emailed if email is written on water test form. If no email is requested, a written report will be mailed.

WATER TESTING FORM FOR PRIVATE WATER SYSTEMS

Collection Date (MM-DD-YY) Time		Time am		Collected By		License # (if pump installer or well driller)
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Owner's Name				Owner's Telephone Number		Email address
Owner's Street Address				Well Address (Street or Legal Description)		
City, State, Zip Code				Town or City County		County
	Name				Send copy of results to DNR? Yes No	
Mail	Address			Test Requested: Bacteriology Arsenic		
Results To:	City State			Zip Code		☐ Nitrate ☐ Arsenic Rush ☐ Fluoride
Approximate Well Co	onstruction Date:	struction Date: Wis. Uniqu		ue Well #	LABORATORY USE ONLY	
(if known)				Membrane Filter Test MFCC/100 ML= MPN Test (Check One) ☐ Five Tube ☐ Ten Tube ☐ One Tube ☐ Presence-Absence Presumptive 24 hours ☐ Confirmed ONPG- MUG Minimal Medium (Check One) ☐ MPN ☐ Presence-Absence ONPG= ☐ Positive ☐ Negative MUG= ☐ Positive ☐ Negative MUG= ☐ Positive ☐ Negative Laboratory Results Bacteriological Interpretation ☐ SAFE (Coliform Absent) ☐ UNSAFE (Coliform Present) ☐ Invalid - Please Submit Another Sample. Nitrate Nitrate: ☐ mg/L as N A Nitrate level of less than 10 mg/L as N is within the Drinking Water Standard set for this substance. Sample surrounded by ice ☐ Yes ☐ No Sample temperature ☐ °C Date Reported ☐ By		
Sampling Information Reason for Test: Annual Test Previous Unsafe New Well Pump Work Taste or Odor Real Estate Other Reasons: Sample Location: Bathroom Tap Pressure Tank Tap Kitchen Tap Milkhouse Other: Does the well serve the public? Yes No Public #:						
Well Construction Information Drilled Driven Point						
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Remarks:					Fluoride Fluoride:mg/L Date Reported By	
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Lab Name KENOSHA COUN OF HEALTH LAB 8600 Sheridan Roa	ORATORY	Lab Cert. # WDATCP Cert # 105000 WDNR Cert # 23015322			Date/Time Received	Lab Sample No.
Kenosha, WI 53143 Phone: 262-605-67	3				Date Reported (Bact	eriology) By