

DRINKING WATER SAMPLING



AVAILABLE RESOURCES

- EPA’s “Quick Guide to Drinking Water Sample Collection”
- EPA’s “Lead and Copper Rule Monitoring and Reporting Guidance for Public Water Systems”
- Ohio EPA Division of Drinking and Ground Waters (<https://epa.ohio.gov/ddagw/pws>)
- Alloway (www.alloway.com)

MONITORING SCHEDULES

approximately 11 million people daily. Public water systems are required to monitor their water regularly for contaminants. Currently, more than 95 percent of community water systems meet all health-based standards. When a system doesn't meet a standard, consumers are notified.



Search for public water system monitoring schedules



View current public drinking water advisories

Basics Advisories and Apparent Violations **Monitoring and Reporting**

Consumer Confidence Reports Asset Management Resources Spigot Newsletter

Monitoring and Reporting

View monitoring schedules using the drop-down list below. The list will be updated whenever revised schedules are generated. If you have any questions regarding specific monitoring requirements, please contact one of the following staff at (614) 644-2752:

- [Sara Starr](#) - disinfection by-products (DBPs)
- [Emilie Eskridge](#) - volatile organic compounds (VOCs); synthetic organic compounds (SOCs)
- [Kathy Pinto](#) - inorganics; asbestos; radiologicals
- [Anne Speakman](#) - nitrate / nitrite
- [Local Ohio EPA district office](#) - total coliform bacteria; lead and copper

▼ Current Monitoring Schedules

2018 MONITORING SCHEDULES BY COUNTY

Adams	Darke	Hocking	Miami	Scioto
Allen	Defiance	Holmes	Monroe	Seneca
Ashland	Delaware	Huron	Montgomery	Shelby
Ashtabula	Erie	Jackson	Morgan	Stark
Athens	Fairfield	Jefferson	Morrow	Summit
Auglaize	Fayette	Knox	Muskingum	Trumbull
Belmont	Franklin	Lake	Noble	Tuscarawas
Brown	Fulton	Lawrence	Ottawa	Union
Butler	Gallia	Licking	Paulding	Van Wert
Carroll	Geauga	Logan	Perry	Vinton
Champaign	Greene	Lorain	Pickaway	Warren
Clark	Guernsey	Lucas	Pike	Washington
Clermont	Hamilton	Madison	Portage	Wayne
Clinton	Hancock	Mahoning	Preble	Williams
Columbiana	Hardin	Marion	Putnam	Wood
Coshocton	Harrison	Medina	Richland	Wyandot
Crawford	Henry	Meigs	Ross	
Cuyahoga	Highland	Mercer	Sandusky	

2018 REVISED SCHEDULES BY MONTH

- ▶ **Revised Total Coliform Rule**
Forms and Instructions
- ▶ **Operator Certification**
Exam Information, Contact Hours, Operator Lists
- ▶ **Rules**
Rules, Laws, Policies and Guidance
- ▶ **Engineering and Plan Approval**
Current versions of related documents and forms
- ▶ **Reporting**
eDWR, eBusiness Center, Forms
- ▶ **Drinking Water Watch**
Drinking water data and public water system inventory
- ▶ **Laboratory Certification**
Certified Labs and Sample Analysis
- ▶ **Enforcement**
PWSs, Operators, UIC, Labs, Certified Analysts

DDAGW Site Links

Select an item and click "Go" to navigate ▼

Go

Spill Hotline

Report a spill, release or environmental emergency 📍

800-282-9378

DOCUMENT SEARCH

How to find files and records

Customer Support Center

eBusiness Center



Effective Date: 01/01/2018

2018 ENTRY POINT SCHEDULE

OH5100 [REDACTED]

System Type: Community

Operating Period: 1/1 to 12/31

ENTRY POINT MONITORING SCHEDULE

Sampling Location	Facility ID: [REDACTED]	Facility Name: [REDACTED]	
	SMP ID: EP001	Facility Source: Ground Water	Facility Class: CLASS A

THIS SCHEDULE MAY NOT INCLUDE ALL MONITORING REQUIREMENTS FOR YOUR SYSTEM.

Contact your district office to review additional monitoring for operating parameters, and/or other monitoring requirements not included on this schedule. Also, monitoring schedules may be revised during the year based on sampling results.

For water emergencies that occur after hours, please call 800-282-9378

**** REMINDER: **** Consumer Confidence Report (CCR) is due July 1, 2018

Chemicals	Monitoring Requirements
INORGANICS	1 Sample(s) Required between 6/1/2018 and 10/31/2018
<i>Sample for all the analytes listed below:</i>	
ANTIMONY, TOTAL - 1074 ARSENIC - 1005 BARIUM - 1010 BERYLLIUM, TOTAL - 1075 CADMIUM - 1015 CHROMIUM - 1020 CYANIDE - 1024 FLUORIDE - 1025 MERCURY - 1035 NICKEL - 1036 SELENIUM - 1045 THALLIUM, TOTAL - 1085	
NITRITE - 1041	Not Required
NITRATE - 1040	1 Sample(s) Required between 6/1/2018 and 10/31/2018
RADIOLOGICALS	Not Required
SYNTHETIC ORGANIC CHEMICALS (SOC) GROUP 1	Not Required
VOLATILE ORGANIC CHEMICALS (VOC)	1 Sample(s) Required between 7/1/2018 and 9/30/2018



Effective Date: 05/25/2018

2018 DISTRIBUTION SCHEDULE

OH510 [Redacted]

System Type: Community

Operating Period: 1/1 to 12/31

Ground Water Rule Substantial System

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DISTRIBUTION MONITORING SCHEDULE

Sampling Location	Facility ID: DS1 SMP ID: DS202	Facility Name: [Redacted]	Facility Class: CLASS 1
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Chemicals Monitoring Requirements

DISINFECTION BYPRODUCTS Dual Sample Required between 7/1/2018 and 9/30/2018 at: DS202

- Sample for all the analytes listed below:
- 1) TOTAL HALOACETIC ACIDS (HAA5) - 2456
 - 2) TTHM - 2950

Sampling Location	Facility ID: DS1 SMP ID: LC###	Facility Name: [Redacted]	Facility Class: CLASS 1
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Chemicals Monitoring Requirements

LEAD - 1030 AND COPPER - 1022 10 Sample(s) Required between 6/1/2018 and 9/30/2018

Lead consumer notice must be completed no later than two business days after receipt of the sample results. The verification form for consumer notice must be submitted to Ohio EPA no later than five business days after receipt of the sample results. Lead and copper sample monitoring point (SMP) IDs (LC###) must be current and reflect properly tiered sites according to OAC Rule 3745-81-86. Submit lead and copper SMP ID revisions to your Ohio EPA District Office. Forms and templates are available online at http://epa.ohio.gov/ddagw/pws/leadandcopper.aspx. For questions contact your Ohio EPA District Office representative.

BOTTLE ORDERS

- How to place a bottle order
 - Call Alloway at (800)-436-1243
 - Email Julie Bigford(julie.bigford@alloway.com) or Amanda Retterer(amanda.webb@alloway.com)
 - Fax bottle order to (740)389-1481
 - Know what bottles you need when you place your order. Use your Monitoring Schedule as a reference. Bottles require specific preservation and volume according to analysis.

****Always verify bottle order when you receive it****

SPECIFIC SAMPLING PROTOCOLS

SAMPLING

- Wear nitrile gloves when sampling
- Be aware of the preservatives in the containers you are working with
- Have paperwork ready to fill out after sampling is completed
 - Fill out as much as you can prior to going to your sampling site
- Know the temperature requirements of samples being drawn

MICROBIOLOGICAL

- Need at least 100 ML of sample (fill to line)
- Total Coliform has a hold time of 30 hours
- A completed SSR form should accompany any sample that is being submitted to the EPA
- Check with the Laboratory for acceptance days and times!

CORRECT

INCORRECT



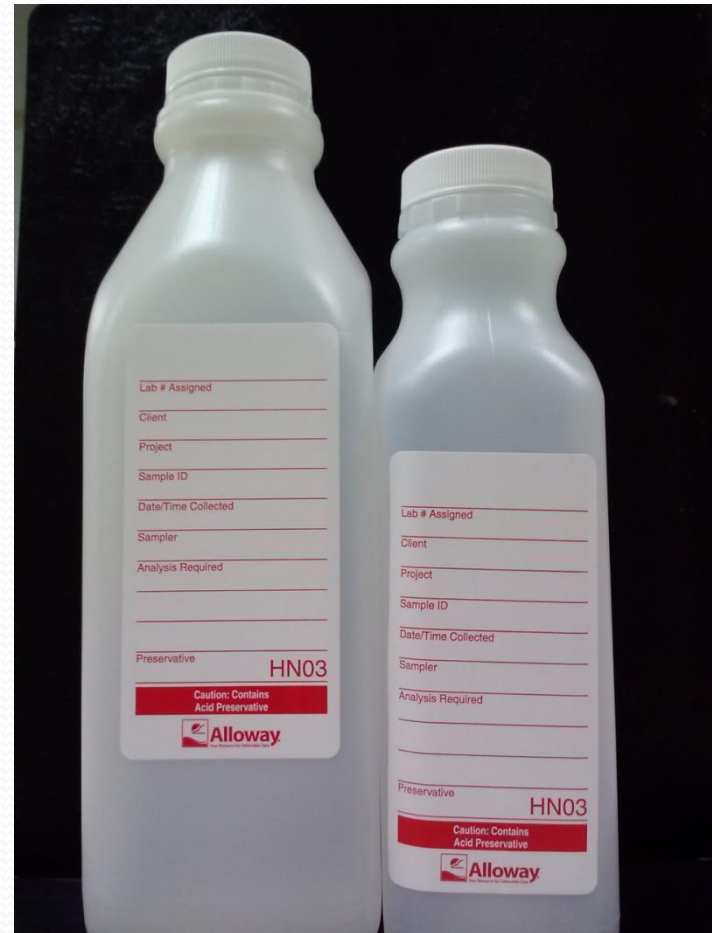
CYANIDE

- Sample hold time is 14 days
- Sample needs to be collected in a 500 ml plastic container preserved with ascorbic acid
- After sample is collected shake to distribute ascorbic acid
- Sodium hydroxide pellets attached to side of bottle then need to be added and shake until dissolved
- Ice sample immediately



METALS

- Metals have a 6-month hold time when preserved with nitric acid
- **EXCEPTION: Mercury has a hold time of 28 days**
- Dissolved metals must be collected in a non-preserved container and filtered in the laboratory
- Metals are digested if the turbidity is greater than 1 NTU

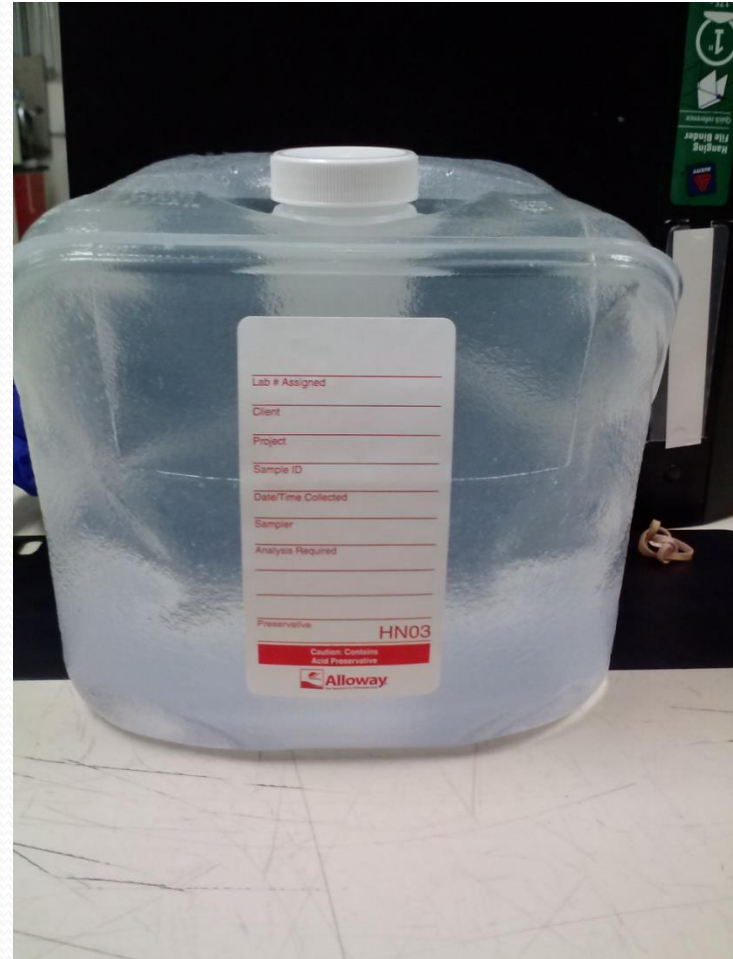


LEAD AND COPPER

- Lead and Copper must be collected in a quart-size (1L) container for compliance purposes
- Per EPA requirements, these samples must be first draw
- Currently, laboratories are required to submit results directly to the EPA for lead and copper
- ALL OPERATORS AND PWS STAFF RESPONSIBLE FOR COMPLIANCE MONITORING SHOULD BE WELL VERSED ON THE EPA GUIDANCE DOCUMENTS AND REPORTING REQUIREMENTS CONCERNING LEAD AND COPPER!

RADIOLOGICALS

- Similar to metals
- Preserved with nitric acid
- Stable up to 6 months
- Collect in a plastic gallon-size container
- This covers gross alpha, beta and radium 226-228



VOLATILE ORGANICS AND TRIHALOMETHANES (THM's)

- It is key that you do not have any air bubbles and that the preservative does not overflow
- Recommend filling 3-4 vials per sample with zero headspace
- Keep chilled to below 6 °C



VOLATILE ORGANICS AND TRIHALOMETHANES (THM's)



SYNTHETIC ORGANICS

- Includes a wide variety of test methods,
 - Methods for drinking water: 504.1, 508, 515.1, 525.2, 531.2, 547, 548 and 549.2
 - Other methods exist to cover additional compounds
 - This includes pesticides, herbicides, semi-volatiles, and other contaminants
 - Method 552.2 is for the determination of haloacetic acids (HAA5s), which are disinfectant by-products
 - Most of the synthetic organics require sodium thiosulfate as a preservative

CHAIN OF CUSTODY

- The chain of custody is a legal document that relinquishes samples from the client to the laboratory.
- It is critical to complete all dates, times and pertinent sampling information.
- Sign and date the Chain of Custody.
- If necessary, public water supplies may need to provide the laboratory with the respective Sample Submission Report (SSR)



Chain of Custody Record

This is a legal document that authorizes Alloway to perform testing on samples submitted under this agreement.

- 1101 North Cole Street, Lima, OH 45805
(P) 419-223-1362 (F) 419-227-3792
- 1776 Marion-Waldo Road, Marion OH 43302
(P) 740-389-5991 (F) 740-389-1481
- 508 Bissman Court, Mansfield, OH 44903
(P) 419-525-1644 (F) 419-524-5575

Report To: Name: _____ Company: _____ Address: _____		Invoice To (if Different): Name: _____ Company: _____ Address: _____		Notes/Comments: _____ _____ _____						
Phone #: _____ Fax #: _____		E-mail: _____ PO#: _____		Turnaround: <i>(Rush Charges May Apply)</i> Next Day <input type="checkbox"/> 3 Working Days <input type="checkbox"/> 2 Working Days <input type="checkbox"/> 5 Working Days <input type="checkbox"/> Routine <input type="checkbox"/>						
Project Name		Sampler								
(Print)		(Signature)								
#	Customer Sample ID / Sample Location	Sample Date	Sample Time	Composite	Grab	Matrix Code	Number of Containers	Preservation Code #	Analysis Required	Alloway LIMS # For Lab Use Only
1										
2										
3										
4										
5										
6										
7										
8										
Relinquished by:	Received by:	Date	Time	Method of Delivery	Matrix Codes:	Preservation Codes:	Sample Receiving			
1				UPS <input type="checkbox"/>	ww - wastewater gw - groundwater	1 - None 7 - Sodium Thiosulfate 13 - Zinc Acetate	<i>(For Lab Use Only)</i>			
2				Fed Ex <input type="checkbox"/>	dw - drinking water sw - surface water	2 - HNO ₃ 8 - Ascorbic Acid 14 - Sodium Sulfite	Ice Present? Y <input type="checkbox"/> N <input type="checkbox"/>			
3				Client <input type="checkbox"/>	w - water oil - oil	3 - H ₂ SO ₄ 9 - Maleic Acid 15 - Potassium Dihydrogen Citrate	Proper Preservation? Y <input type="checkbox"/> N <input type="checkbox"/>			
4				Alloway Pick Up <input type="checkbox"/>	s - solid sg - sludge	4 - HCl 10 - EDA 16 - Sodium Sulfite/Sodium Bisulfate	Container Temperature: _____			
5				Alloway Sampling <input type="checkbox"/>	l - leachate a - acid	5 - NaOH 11 - Ammonium Chloride				
6				Other <input type="checkbox"/>	p - product o - other	6 - NaOH & Zinc Acetate 12 - (NH ₄) ₂ SO ₄ & NH ₄ OH				
Received for Laboratory By: (circle one): Mansfield Lima Marion <i>(Signature)</i>										

Transported to: Lima By: _____ Received By: _____ Date: _____ Time: _____
 Marion

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 Marion



If you don't specify who to send the invoice to, you will receive both the invoice and the report.

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Report To: Name: John A. Doe Company: Village of Anywhere Address: 100 N. River St. Anywhere Ohio 43801	Invoice To (If Different): Name: Jane M. Smith Company: Village of Anywhere Address: P.O. Box 800 Anywhere Ohio 43801	Notes/Comments: Please fax results Thanks! Use the notes for any additional information that you want the lab to know. The more specific you are, the better service we can provide.
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Phone #: 123-456-7890	Fax #: 321-456-7899	E-mail: johnadoc@anywhereoh.com PO#: _____
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Project Name: April 2013 Monthly	Name the project anything that makes sense for what you're sampling. This is for your reference.	Turnaround: (Rush Charges May Apply) <input type="checkbox"/> Next Day <input type="checkbox"/> 3 Working Days <input type="checkbox"/> Routine <input type="checkbox"/> 2 Working Days <input type="checkbox"/> 5 Working Days
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Customer Sample ID / Sample Location	Sample Date	Sample Time	Composite	Grab	Matrix Code	Number of Containers	Preservation Code #	Analysis Required	All For
1 Outfall 001	4/1/13	1021am	x		ww	3	1.2.3	BOD,COD,NH3,TSS,Cd,Cr,Cu,Pb	
2 EP001	4/1/13	1055am	↑	x	dw	6	2.3.7.11	TTHM's/HAA5's,Nitrate,Pb,Cu	

If you have multiple bottles for one sample, you can keep it on one line if you filled the bottles within a few minutes of each other. Record the latest time as the sample time. If they were filled more than a few minutes apart, use different lines.

Indicate if it was a composite or a grab. Please be accurate with sample date and time.

It is important to specify the matrix. Some tests can be performed on multiple matrices. Use the appropriate code.

Be specific. For example, don't just write "metals" specify which metals. If you abbreviate, use standard chemical abbreviations.

If anything other than standard TAT, please call lab first. Not all test can be rush. There may be a charge associated with a rush sample

Relinquished by:	Received by:	Date	Time	Method of Delivery	Matrix Codes:	Preservation Codes:	Sample Receiving (For Lab Use Only)
1 <i>Amanda White</i>				UPS <input type="checkbox"/>	ww - wastewater gw - groundwater	1 - None 7 - Sodium Thiosulfate 13 - Zinc Acetate	Ice Present? Y <input type="checkbox"/> N <input type="checkbox"/>
2				Fed Ex <input type="checkbox"/>	dw - drinking water sw - surface water	2 - HNO ₃ 8 - Ascorbic Acid 14 - Sodium Sulfite	Proper Preservation? Y <input type="checkbox"/> N <input type="checkbox"/>
3				Client <input type="checkbox"/>	w - water oil - oil	3 - H ₂ SO ₄ 9 - Maleic Acid 15 - Potassium Dihydrogen Citrate	
4				Alloway Pick Up <input type="checkbox"/>	s - solid sg - sludge	4 - HCl 10 - EDA 16 - Sodium Sulfite/Sodium Bisulfate	
5				Alloway Sampling <input type="checkbox"/>	l - leachate a - acid	5 - NaOH 11 - Ammonium Chloride	
6				Other <input type="checkbox"/>	p - product o - other	6 - NaOH & Zinc Acetate 12 - (NH ₄) ₂ SO ₄ & NH ₄ OH	Container Temperature: _____

Everyone who handles the sample must sign and date the COC.

Received for Laboratory By: (circle one) **Mansfield** **Lima** **Marion**

(Signature)

If you make a mistake, do not white out or scratch out your error. It is easiest to start with a fresh COC. If you do not have another form draw a line through the error, make the correction, note why it was corrected, and write your initials

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Marion

By: _____ Received By: _____

*If you need more than 8 sample lines, use an additional chain of custody.

White - Lab Copy Yellow - Client

Sample Submission Report (SSR)



INORGANIC CHEMICAL SAMPLE SUBMISSION REPORT (SSR)

MAIL COMPLETED REPORT TO:
Ohio EPA, Division of Drinking and Ground Waters
122 South Front Street
P.O. Box 1049
Columbus, Ohio 43216-1049

LABORATORY INFORMATION:
Reporting Lab: _____ ID: _____
Analytical Lab: _____ ID: _____
Reporting Lab Sample #: _____
Sample Received Date: _____ QC Completed Date: _____
QC Completed by: _____

PUBLIC WATER SYSTEM INFORMATION:
PWS Name: _____
STU Name: _____
PWSID #: _____ STU #: _____
Address: _____
County: _____
Contact Person: _____
Contact Phone: _____

SAMPLE INFORMATION:
Sample Monitoring Point: EP _____ RS _____ Other _____
Sample Collection Date: _____ Time: _____
Sample Purpose: Compliance Resample New Well
 Other (explain): _____
Sample Collected by: _____
Repeat for Sample #: _____

ANALYTICAL INFORMATION:
Preservation Location: Field Laboratory None
Preservation Type:
 ASCORBIC ACID HCL NaOH
 CL2H2COOH HNO3 NAS
 FILTERED ICED NH4CL
 H2SO4 NA2O3S2 UNPRESERVED
 OTHER (Explain) _____

SAMPLE LOCATION DESCRIPTION/LAB REMARKS:

ANALYTICAL RESULTS - INORGANIC CHEMICALS:

Parameters	Cont. ID	Sign	Result	Unit	Analysis Date	Method	Analyst Number
Aluminum, total	1002			• g/L			
Antimony, total	1074			• g/L			
Arsenic, total	1005			• g/L			
Asbestos, >10um	1094			MF/L			
Barium, total	1010			• g/L			
Beryllium, total	1075			• g/L			
Bismuth	1078			• g/L			
Boron, total	1079			• g/L			
Cadmium, total	1015			• g/L			
Calcium, total	1016			mg/L			
Chloride, total	1017			mg/L			
Chromium, hexavalent	1080			• g/L			
Chromium, total	1020			• g/L			
Cobalt, total	1081			• g/L			
Copper, total	1022			• g/L			
Cyanide, free	1023			• g/L			
Cyanide, total	1024			• g/L			
Fluoride, total	1025			mg/L			
Iron, total	1028			• g/L			
Iron, dissolved	1082			• g/L			
Lead, total	1030			• g/L			
Lithium, total	1083			• g/L			
Manganese, total	1032			• g/L			
Magnesium, total	1031			mg/L			



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 Other (explain): _____
Sample Collected by: _____
Repeat for Sample #: _____

ANALYTICAL INFORMATION:

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Preservation Type:

- | | | |
|---|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> ASCORBIC ACID | <input type="checkbox"/> HCL | <input type="checkbox"/> NAOH |
| <input type="checkbox"/> CLCH ₂ COOH | <input type="checkbox"/> HNO ₃ | <input type="checkbox"/> NAS |
| <input type="checkbox"/> FILTERED | <input type="checkbox"/> ICED | <input type="checkbox"/> NH ₄ CL |
| <input type="checkbox"/> H ₂ SO ₄ | <input type="checkbox"/> NA ₂ O ₃ S ₂ | <input type="checkbox"/> UNPRESERVED |
| <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (Explain) _____ | | |

SAMPLE LOCATION DESCRIPTION/LAB REMARKS:



**MICROBIOLOGICAL
SAMPLE SUBMISSION REPORT (SSR)**

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50 W Town St
Columbus Ohio 43215
(614) 728-3778 FAX (614) 728-0160

Northwest District Office
347 North Dunbridge Road
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(419) 352-8461 FAX (419) 352-8468

Southwest District Office
401 East Fifth Street
Dayton, Ohio 45402-2911
(937) 285-6357 FAX (937) 285-6249

Northeast District Office
2110 East Aurora Road
Twinsburg, Ohio 44087
(330) 963-1200 FAX (330) 963-4760

Southeast District Office
2195 Front Street
Logan, Ohio 43138
(740) 385-8501 FAX (740) 385-6490

PUBLIC WATER SYSTEM INFORMATION:

PWS ID: OH _____
PWS Name: _____
Address: _____
City, State, Zip: _____
County: _____

LABORATORY INFORMATION:

Reporting Lab Name: Alloway - Marion
Reporting Lab Certification No.: 838
Lab Sample Number: _____

SAMPLE INFORMATION:

Sample Type:
 -- Routine (compliance)
 -- Repeat (confirm positive sample compliance)
Original Routine Positive Sample # _____
 -- Special (not for compliance)

Sample Collection Date: _____
mm/dd/yyyy

Sample Collection Time: _____
hh:mm am/pm

Sample Collector Name: _____

Sample Collector Phone: _____

Street Address and Tap Location: _____

Free Chlorine Residual: _____
Total Chlorine Residual: _____

Comments:

Bottle # _____

Sample Results:

Analyte	Absent / Negative	Present / Positive	Analysis start date/time	Analysis end date/time	Analytical Lab ID#	Analyst #	Method Used
Total Coliform (3100)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	_____	838	_____	9223B-PA
E. Coli. (3014)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	_____	838	_____	9223B-PA
Fecal Coliform (3013)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

Data Quality Results:

--Instrument Failure --Requester cancelled --Water System requested
 --Lab not certified --Other (Comments) --Lab Error

Microbiological Sample Submission Report (SSR)

Person to Receive Result/Invoice:

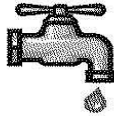
Name: _____
Company: _____
Address: _____
City / State / Zip: _____
Phone: _____
Fax: _____
E-mail: _____

Sampler's Signature:

<input type="checkbox"/> This is your Invoice	Receipt <input type="checkbox"/> Cash \$ _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Check # _____ \$ _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Credit Card \$ (MC/VISA) _____	Date Received: _____
		Time Received: _____
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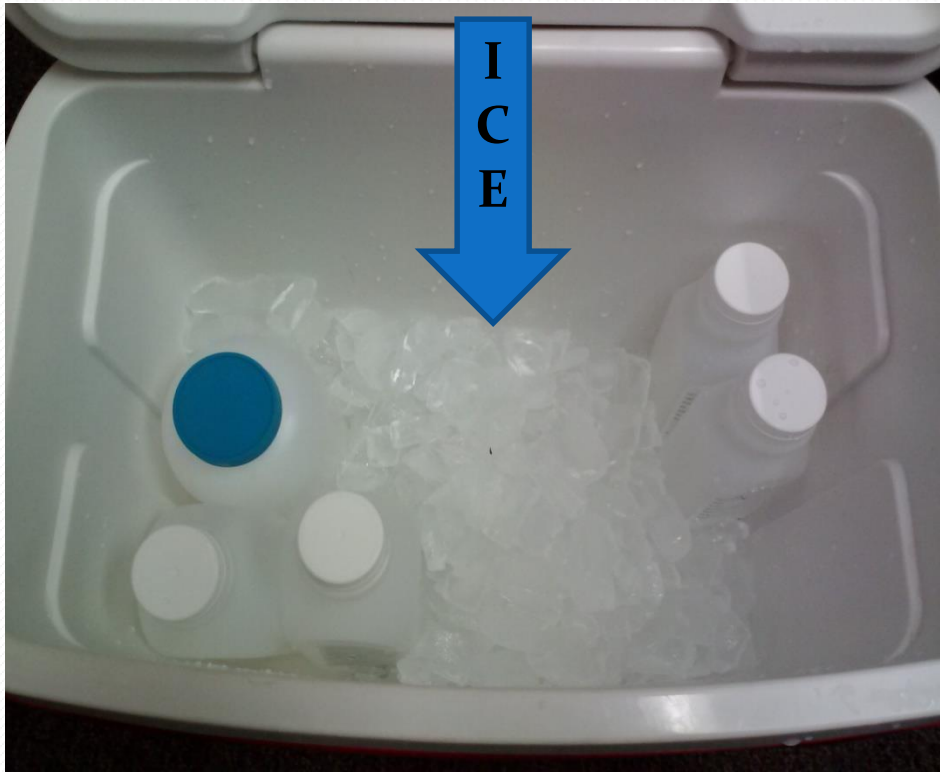
Comments:

Large empty rectangular box for comments.

Bottle #

GETTING SAMPLES TO THE LABORATORY

PACKING SAMPLES FOR DELIVERY TO THE LAB



- Some samples need to be packed with ice in a cooler
- If thermal preservation is required, samples should arrive at 0-6 °C
 - Ex. Organics, Phosphorus, TOC
- Check with the laboratory for a complete list

PACKING SAMPLES FOR DELIVERY TO LAB

- Use plenty of packing materials to protect glass bottles
- Some samples will need to be shipped overnight to arrive at the proper temperature or within hold time
- Pack samples upright to prevent leaking



SAMPLE FLOW

RECEIVING SAMPLES AT THE LAB

- Check that all samples are intact, they match the paperwork, and are within hold time
- Check temperature
- Check pH
- Check chlorine



Common Reasons for Sample Rejection Include:

Insufficient sample volume (especially micro)

Incorrect preservation

Sample hold time exceeded

Sample not received on ice

Incomplete paperwork

SAMPLE FLOW

- At log-in, samples are assigned unique identifiers and double checked by managerial personnel
- The Laboratory Information Management System (LIMS) is designed to handle our sample load

SAMPLE FLOW

- Samples move throughout the laboratory through a system of checks and balances:
 - Backlog reports isolate sample by matrix, parameter, and due dates
 - Status reports indicate a sample's progress
 - Actual preparatory and analytical work
 - Review of data via secondary check
 - Final review of data and issuance of Certificates of Analysis
 - Proper archiving of data for retrieval and management

REPORTING

- For compliance drinking water samples, the laboratory is required to report results to both the PWS and Ohio EPA
- Depending on the sample type and analysis, results may need to be reported within 24 hours after analysis is completed
- All of the information needed to report results to Ohio EPA needs to be provided on the COC or SSR forms

SUMMARY

- Spend the extra time to work with the laboratory on the sampling side of environmental testing.
- Remember that good sampling techniques require trained personnel.
- Encourage your field personnel to visit your analytical laboratory to learn about the various methods.
- Make sure that holding times are met.
- Ensure that samples are collected in proper containers with preservatives and packed in an adequate amount of ice.

A SIMPLE EQUATION.....

