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Waterborne Pathogens Screen

Sampling Instructions

Please read all of the instructions before starting.

1 - Freeze Ice Pack

After the blue ice pack has been in your freezer for at least 8 hours, you can collect your water sample from an appropriate water faucet or spigot. If the spout has a strainer or aerator, remove it prior to sampling



2 - Fill Samples

Samples must be shipped the same day they are collected via guaranteed next day delivery and must be collected after 1:00 p.m. EST to minimize time in transit. Do not collect and/or ship your samples on a Friday, Saturday, Sunday, or the day before a National Holiday.



Glass Bottle - Before filling this bottle, disinfect the end and inside of the faucet spout using rubbing alcohol. After the faucet spout has been disinfected, flush it by running the water for at least one minute. Remove the red tabbed plastic seal on the 125 mL plastic bottle. Do not touch the inside of the bottle or the inside of the cap. This bottle contains preservative. Do not rinse the preservative out of the bottle. Fill the bottle between the 100 mL and 120 mL fill lines. Do not fill any less or more as this will impact the analysis. [see picture]. Replace the cap securely making sure not to touch the inside of the bottle or the inside of the cap.

3A - Complete Lab Form

Complete the enclosed lab form, making sure to indicate the collection date and time you sampled, type of water, and sample identification (e.g. kitchen sink, well head,etc.) Return the blue ice pack to the kit and place the kit back in the cardboard box with the completed lab form.



3B - Ship Kit

Make arrangements to ship the kit by guaranteed next day delivery [or drop the kit off at our laboratory within 24 hours of collection, Monday to Friday, 8:30 am to 5:00 pm] to the following address:

National Testing Laboratories
556 South Mansfield Street
Ypsilanti, MI 48197

If we do not receive your sample within 24 hours of sample collection or if you have not provided the date and time of collection, the bacteria results will be marked INVALID!

For Reduced Return Shipping Call:
800-458-3330.

NOTE: Testing & reporting takes approximately 5-10 business days. Heavily contaminated samples may take longer to process. Turnaround time can vary due to laboratory volume. Results will be emailed upon completion.

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The lab reserves the right to reject water samples that appear to be excessively contaminated as they may cause potential damage to laboratory equipment.

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