



INSTRUCTIONS FOR TAKING MICROBIOLOGICAL SAMPLES
(BACTERIA TESTING)

30 hour holding time

Please only submit samples Monday-Thursday. If a sample is submitted on Friday there will be an additional charge.

1. Remove the screen from faucet.
2. Disinfect with Clorox bleach. Using a spray bottle is preferred. **Do not wipe off spigot after disinfecting!**
3. Let the water run for about 3 minutes, then reduce flow to a slow, steady stream.
4. Remove shrink wrap seal and open sterile container—DO NOT RINSE CONTAINER. Bottle contains Sodium Thiosulfate. (white powder)
5. Hold cap face down so as not to contaminate.
6. Fill container to “Fill Line” (100 mL) and place cap securely on container.
7. Please keep the sample cool during transport to laboratory. A small container with some ice is sufficient.
8. Sample must be submitted to lab within 24 hours of sampling.

If you have any questions please call our office. (928-754-8101)