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## **BACTERIA SAMPLING PROCEDURE FOR DRINKING WATER**

Thank you for using Environmental Service Laboratories for your drinking water testing needs. Below are detailed instructions for proper sample collection:

- 1.) Remove screen from faucet. Only use cold water. Do NOT use hot water.
- 2.) Run water for 3 to 6 minutes.
- 3.) Unscrew the lid off of the sampling bottle. Be very careful to not touch the sampling bottle's interior. **Do NOT rinse the sampling bottle; the white powder is Sodium Thiosulfate, a non-hazardous chemical preservative.**
- 4.) Fill the sampling bottle to about one-inch from the top.
- 5.) Close the lid securely and keep cold. (Keep sample either in fridge or on ice.) Bring the sample in as soon as possible after collection. It must be returned to our lab within 24 hours after collection. *Payment is required upon receipt of the sample.*
- 6.) Please complete the following information:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Sample Date: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Sample Time: \_\_\_\_\_

Sample Supply:

Drilled Well \_\_\_\_\_ Dug Well \_\_\_\_\_ Spring \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

Sampling Point:

Kitchen Tap \_\_\_\_\_ Bathroom \_\_\_\_\_ Outside \_\_\_\_\_ Pressure Tank \_\_\_\_\_

Bailed from well \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

\* Please remember to keep the sample cold and to return it to our lab within 24 hours.

\* It is strongly recommended that your water be tested for bacteria twice a year!

**LAB HOURS: 8 AM – 5 PM MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY**