



Bacteria Sample Collection Instructions

Please follow these instructions carefully!

You have been given a clear 4 oz. Bacteria sample bottle. This is a sterile container. The white powder inside it is to counteract any chlorine in the water. When taking the sample, please be careful to keep your hands or anything else from touching the inside of the bottle or lid. This could possibly allow some bacteria inside the bottle and affect your result. Also, when removing the lid, do not allow the underside to turn face up so something could fall into it.

Collecting the sample:

- 1) Run the well for 15 minutes. If you do not want to sample at the well, remove the aerator from the kitchen faucet, open all spigots, and run the water for 15 minutes.
- 2) Turn off all the other spigots except the one you plan to sample from. At this spigot, turn the force down to an even stream.
- 3) Fill any bottles for chemical tests first and secure the lid.
- 4) Remove the plastic from around the lid. Remove the lid from the bacteria sample bottle. Fill the bottle to the "100 ml" mark and secure the lid immediately.
- 5) Fill in the label on the bottle being careful to note the date and time sampled.
- 6) Refrigerate the sample. You have 24 hours to return it to the lab. Hand delivery or overnight mail is required. A ziploc bag with ice is adequate for chilling.

*Note: Please include payment with your sample (s).
Test results cannot be released until payment has been received.*

Thank You!

Return the sample to: Basic Laboratory, Inc
2218 Railroad Ave.
Redding, CA 96001