

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER
Haloacetic Acids (HAA5) MCL Violation at
City of Springfield

Our water system recently violated a drinking water standard. Although this incident was not an emergency, as our customers, you have a right to know what happened, what you should do, and what we are doing to correct this situation.

We are required to monitor for the presence of disinfection byproducts (DBPs) on a quarterly basis. Sampling results from October to December (4th Quarter) 2023 show that our system exceeds the standard, or maximum contaminant level (MCL), for HAA5. The standard for HAA5 is 60 micrograms per liter ($\mu\text{g/L}$). Compliance is determined by a locational running annual average (LRAA) of quarterly analytical results collected at designated monitoring locations. During the 1st quarter 2024 sampling event, the average level of HAA5 at our 2723 Arden Ave monitoring location was 87.275 $\mu\text{g/L}$.

What should I do?

- There is nothing you need do. You do not need to boil your water or take other corrective actions. If a situation arises where the water is no longer safe to drink, you will be notified within 24 hours.
- If you have a severely compromised immune system, have an infant, are pregnant, or are elderly, you may be at increased risk and should seek advice from your health care providers about drinking this water.

What does this mean?

This is not an emergency. If it had been an emergency, you would have been notified within 24 hours. TTHMs and HAA5s are organic chemicals which form when disinfectants react with organic matter in the water.

Some people who drink water containing haloacetic acids in excess of the MCL over many years may have an increased risk of getting cancer. Some people who drink water containing TTHMs in excess of the MCL over many years may experience problems with their liver, kidneys, or central nervous system, and may have an increased risk of getting cancer.

The City had a change in personnel completing the water samples in 2023. The training process is continuing to ensure proper samples are taken and the most recent sample results are lower than the previous quarter and are in compliance with the monthly levels.

For more information, please contact: Jeanie Baldwin at phone #: 850-872-7570 x103, or mailing address 408 School Ave, Springfield, FL 32401

Please share this information with all the other people who drink this water, especially those who may not have received this notice directly (for example, people in apartments, nursing homes, schools, and businesses). You can do this by posting this notice in a public place or distributing copies by hand or mail.

This notice is being sent to you by City of Springfield

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