



Geauga County Department of Water Resources

The Geauga County Laboratory is a division within the Water Resources Department. We are a multifaceted lab with capabilities that range in both water and wastewater analysis. Each of our analysts hold water and wastewater certifications through the State of Ohio as well as additional certifications through the Ohio Water Environment Association. We participate annually in Federal and State proficiency testing and have random and scheduled surveys through the Ohio EPA.



Our most requested test for drinking water is the Total Coliform Bacteria, also known as the water potability test. This test determines the presence or absence of bacteria. In the event that total coliform is present in your private well water then a well chlorination should be performed at your earliest opportunity.



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Collecting your sample:

1. Select the tap...no swivel faucets or hoses!
2. Sanitize the Nozzle of the Tap and Flush Tap
3. Collect the Water...avoiding contamination
4. Complete the bacterial sample report form and attach to the bottle...include an email address for quickest report turn-around time.
5. Return the bottle and form to the Water Resources Office or Geauga County Laboratory **within 12 hours of collection...the sooner the better.**

**WE WILL RETURN YOUR RESULTS TO YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS PROVIDED WITHIN
48 HOURS**
