

DRINKING WATER TESTING CLINIC

MADISON, ORANGE AND GREENE

SEPTEMBER 6, 2016

6:30 p.m.



Does your water come from a well,
spring or cistern?

Do you want to learn more about the
quality of your water?

How this program works:

1. At a brief informational meeting, pay testing fee, pick up a sample kit and get instructions to collect your household water sample.
2. Collect a sample from your tap at home and complete a short questionnaire.
3. Drop off sample at a designated location and time.
4. About 4 weeks later, come back to get your confidential test results, an explanation of what the numbers mean, and information on how to handle any problems that are present.

Where: Madison American Legion Hall
310 Thrift Road, Madison, VA 22727

Cost: \$45 (includes sample analysis cost to test for selected chemical and bacteriological constituents)

Register: VCE Madison Office
540-948-6881, Katie Jenkins (kjenk@vt.edu)
You must pre-register, space is limited!

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Purpose:

The goal of the Virginia Household Water Quality Program is to improve the water quality of Virginians with private water supplies, such as wells, springs and cisterns. Drinking Water Clinics are being held in counties across the state to give people with private water systems access to affordable water testing, help interpreting their water test results, and information about possible treatment options.

How does it work?

Participants attend a short, evening *Kickoff Meeting*, where they receive information about how to collect water samples and a sampling kit. At this meeting, participants will be notified of a date, time and location where they will drop off their water samples. At this collection point, the samples will be iced in coolers and taken to the Biological Systems Engineering Water Quality Lab in Blacksburg for analysis. The analysis and creating the water test reports takes about 4 weeks. Once the analysis is complete, an *Interpretation Meeting* is held to distribute the results to each participant. At this meeting, water test results are explained, and information provided about possible treatment options participants may consider.

All participant information is kept strictly confidential.

Iron	Manganese	Sulfate	Hardness
Sodium	Copper	Nitrate	Arsenic
Fluoride	pH	Total Dissolved Solids	
Coliform bacteria	<i>E. coli</i> bacteria	Lead	

How much does it cost? \$45 - This payment covers the cost of one sampling kit. The analysis provided would normally cost more than \$200 at a commercial water testing laboratory. Please bring a check made payable to Treasurer, Virginia Tech - Madison Office or cash for \$45 to the kickoff meeting to receive your sampling kit.

	Date and Time	Location
Kickoff Meeting	Tuesday, September 6, 2016 6:30 pm	Madison Legion Hall
Sample Collection	Wednesday, Sept. 28, 2016 7:00 am – 9:00 am	Greene, Madison & Orange Extension Offices
Follow-Up Meeting	Wednesday, November 2, 2016 6:30 pm	Madison Legion Hall

Questions???

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