

 <p>Madera County Department of Public Health 1604 Sunrise Ave, Madera CA 93638 Phone: (559) 675-7893 Fax: (559) 661-5192 Gerald A. Peterson, Laboratory Director</p>		*Lab Use Only*	
		Date/Time Received: _____	
		Int./Temp on Arrival: _____	
		Laboratory Number: _____	
Sample Site (Description by Address, System ID #, Site)		Client (Name and Address and/or Email To Send Report To)	
Name of Collector:		Source: <input type="checkbox"/> Drinking Water <input type="checkbox"/> Other:	
Contact Phone #:		Test Requested: <input type="checkbox"/> Colilert 18hr Presence/Absence	
Date/Time of Collection:		Preservation: <input type="checkbox"/> Sodium Thio <input type="checkbox"/> No Preservative	
Sample Type: <input type="checkbox"/> Routine <input type="checkbox"/> Repeat <input type="checkbox"/> Special <input type="checkbox"/> Other		Chlorine Residual: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
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Colilert P/A		Date Reported: _____	
Total Coliform <input type="checkbox"/> Pass/Absent <input type="checkbox"/> Fail/Present		Analyst: _____	
E. coli <input type="checkbox"/> Pass/Absent <input type="checkbox"/> Fail/Present		Positive Results Called: _____ <small>(Initials/Date/Time)</small>	
*Note: Personnel receiving specimens are to verify proper collection time/temp and initial the form in the upper right hand corner. **WT= (within time) Indicates water testing specimen was received within 1 hour after collection.			

Water testing form and collection instructions

1. Remove any screen, filter, or spray nozzle from the tap, which is to be sampled. The tap should be in a good working condition with no leaks.
2. Turn on cold water tap and let the water run for 5 minutes minimum. Longer is preferable. The water should come out of the tap as a “straw” of water with no back splashing onto the sides of the tap.
3. Completely remove the clear plastic seal around the lid. **Only remove the lid from the bottle when you are ready to fill it.** Do not set the lid down or invert it. Hold it in your hand in the same position as it was removed from the bottle. Fill the bottle to the **100 ml line** located at the top of the bottle and replace the lid on the bottle.
4. Complete the water testing form including the collectors name, sample address, date/time water is collected, phone number and address or email where results are to be sent. Write the address of sample on the water bottle so it can be matched to the paperwork.

Attention: Water specimens that will take longer than one hour from time sampled to be received at the lab will be tested for the desired temperature of $\leq 10^{\circ}\text{C}$ (refrigerated temp) when dropped off. Please plan accordingly and bring samples in an insulated container and on ice or blue ice to ensure correct temperature is maintained. If water specimen is above the desired temperature of $\leq 10^{\circ}\text{C}$ (refrigerated temp), we are required to reject the water specimen. **Also, do not freeze samples.** Water Specimens have a 30 hour time limit after collection. Please drop sample off same day as collection to ensure time limit is met.

*See reverse for important information

What Madera County Residents Should Know About Water Testing

Madera County is offering potable water testing for bacteria if you have a private domestic well and want to test your water. Private domestic wells are not regulated by the state and therefore no certification is required to test. If you are a water system or resident testing for real estate purposes and need an ELAP/TNI Certified Laboratory to preform your potable water bacteria test, please visit the State Waterboards website or use the web link address included to help find other labs that are certified in the area. (https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/drinking_water/certlic/labs/index.html)

Price for the Colilert Presence/Absence Test is \$15.00 ea.

Water Sample drop off locations:

Madera Location:

Madera County Department of Public Health

1604 Sunrise Ave, Madera CA 93638

Monday thru Wednesday 8:00 am- 11:30 am and 1:00 pm- 4:30 pm. and Thursday 8:00 am-11:30 am staff will be available to receive water specimens to validate time/correct temperature of sample.

(Unless otherwise noted, please refer to or call for holiday schedule.)

* No water samples are accepted on Friday.

Oakhurst Location:

Madera County Department of Public Health (Oakhurst)

Oakhurst Government Center (40232 Junction Dr, Suite 300, Oakhurst CA, 93644)

Every first and third Monday of the month (unless otherwise noted, please refer to or call for holiday schedule) between the hours of **9:30am to 12:30pm** staff will be available to receive water specimens to validate time/ correct temperature of sample. *Please call for exact days available.

Results are emailed after completion of test.

In the event the water sample does not meet the standard prescribed for potable water, the laboratory will contact you by phone as soon as possible.

If you have any questions, please contact:

Madera County Department of Public Health at (559) 675-7893.