

2018 Water Quality Report for Marion County Rural Water District

This report explains the quality of drinking water in our system. The source of our water is ground water. All of the water distributed is purchased from Knoxville Water Works and Pleasantville Water Works. Our water quality testing with results are found below, as well as, tips on how to interpret the data:

Contaminant	MCL	MCLG	Compliance		Date	Violation	Source
			Type	Value & (Range)			
Total Trihalomethanes (ppb) [TTHM]	80	(N/A)	LRAA	5.00 (ND – 10)	9/30/2018	No	By-products of drinking water chlorination
Copper (ppm)	AL=1.3	1.3	90 th	0.0713 (0.0053 – 0.785)	2018	No	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits; Leaching from wood preservatives
Lead (ppb)	AL=15	0	90 th	4.20 (ND – 12)	2018	No	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits
950 – DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM – KNOXVILLE							
Chlorine (ppm)	MRDL=4.0	MRDLG=4.0	RAA	4.1 (3.4 – 5)	6/30/2018	No	Water additive used to control microbes
951 – DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM – PLEASANTVILLE							
Chlorine (ppm)	MRDL=4.0	MRDLG=4.0	RAA	2.8 (1.4 – 4.2)	12/31/2018	No	Water additive used to control microbes

*Note: Contaminants with dates indicate results from the most recent testing done in accordance with regulations.

DEFINITIONS

- Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) – The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLFs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.
- Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG) – The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.
- ppb – parts per billion
- ppm – parts per million
- pCi/L – picocuries per liter
- N/A – Not applicable
- ND – Not detected
- RAA – Running Annual Average
- IDSE – Initial Distribution System Evaluation
- Treatment Technique (TT) – A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.
- Action Level (AL) – The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.
- Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal (MRDLG) – The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.
- Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level (MRDL) – The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.
- SGL – Single Sample Result
- RTCR – Revised Total Coliform Rule
- NTU – Nephelometric Turbidity Units

GENERAL INFORMATION

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by *Cryptosporidium* and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. The Marion County Rural Water District is responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by

flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at <http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>.

SOURCE WATER ASSESSMENT INFORMATION

This water supply obtains some or all of its water from another public water supply. It is a consecutive water supply, where an originating parent supply provides drinking water to one or more downstream supplies.

System

Knoxville Water Works

Pleasantville Water Works

Original Supply ID

IA6342036

IA6377046

CONTAMINANT VIOLATIONS

City of Pleasantville

Violation Type	Contaminant	Begin Date	End Date
MCL (Chem-Rad), Average	Gross Alpha, excluding Rn & U	01/01/2018	03/31/2018
The Pleasantville water system violated a drinking water standard for Gross Alpha, excluding Rn & U. Certain minerals are radioactive and may emit a form of radiation known as alpha radiation. People who drink water containing these alpha emitters in excess of the MCL over many years may have an increased risk of getting cancer.			

CONTACT INFORMATION

For questions regarding this information or how you can get involved in decisions regarding the water system, please contact Marion County Rural Water District at 641-842-3304.

PURCHASED WATER INFORMATION

Our water system purchases water from the systems shown below. Their water quality is as follows:

6342036 – KNOXVILLE WATER WORKS

CONTAMINANT	MCL	MCLG	COMPLIANCE		DATE	VIOLATION	SOURCE
			Type	Value & (Range)		Yes/No	
01 FINISHED WATER AFTER TREATMENT							
Gross Alpha, inc (pCi/L)	15	0	SGL	7.3	7/12/2017	No	Erosion of natural deposits
Combined Radium (pCi/L)	5	0	SGL	1.2	7/17/2017	No	Erosion of natural deposits
Sodium (ppm)	NA	NA	SGL	159.000	1/6/2016	No	Erosion of natural deposits; Added to water during treatment process

6377046 – PLEASANTVILLE WATER WORKS

01 WELL #3 ('68) OR #4 ('90) @ TP

Gross Alpha, inc (pCi/L)	15	0	SGL	8.1	10/30/2018	No	Erosion of natural deposits
Gross Alpha, exc (pCi/L)	15	0	RAA	3.3 (2.4 - 4.4)	12/31/2018	No	Erosion of natural deposits
Sodium (ppm)	NA	NA	SGL	197	4/30/2018	No	Erosion of natural deposits; Added to water during treatment process
Nitrate [as N] (ppm)	10	10	SGL	0.600	4/30/2018	No	Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks, sewage; Erosion of natural deposits