

WINNIPEG WATER

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Winnipeg water is intensively monitored on a routine basis to ensure that the water is safe and that regulatory requirements are met. Because water quality is so important, the level of monitoring and sampling exceeds Provincial regulatory requirements.

An average free chlorine residual of between 0.3 and 0.4 mg/L in the distribution system is maintained. Chlorine is monitored at the places where it is added, and at 19 sites throughout the distribution system. Equipment is used to continuously monitor chlorine levels at the pumping stations and the distribution system levels are checked weekly from about the beginning of May to about the end of October, and every two weeks at other times.

Microbiological samples are taken weekly at over 60 locations throughout the system. Tests are conducted for general bacteria and for coliform bacteria according to Provincial regulations.

Winnipeg water is also tested for:

- ◆ routine water chemistry
- ◆ metals (analyzed both by the City of Winnipeg and the Province of Manitoba)
- ◆ disinfection by-products

The City of Winnipeg measures how water quality changes within the distribution system and the quality of water delivered to customers with these tests.

For more information, please contact the Customer Service Centre during regular business hours, Monday to Friday (excluding statutory holidays) from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm at:

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