

Town of Stoughton

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Stoughton Private Well Testing Guideline

The Board of Health of the Town of Stoughton adopted regulations pertaining to private wells which include items such as construction parameters, registration and testing/water quality guidelines. The Board recommends retesting private potable wells at least every three years, but annual testing is preferable to detect any changes in water quality. When tested by a Massachusetts Certified Laboratory, private wells shall meet the following standards:

PARAMETER	LIMIT NOT TO BE EXCEEDED
Coliform	
Color	15 Units
Turbidity	5 Units
Odor and Taste Free of Odor and Taste	Good
PH	6.5-8.5
Chloride	250 mg/l
Total Iron	0.3 mg/l
Sodium (guideline)	20 mg/l
Manganese	.05 mg/l
Sulfate	250 mg/l
Magnesium	125 mg/l
Total Hardness	100 mg/l
Nitrogen-Ammonia	0.1 mg/l
Nitrogen-Nitrite	1 mg/l
Nitrogen-Nitrate	10mg/l
Free Carbon Dioxide	50 mg/l
Copper	1.0 mg/l
Lead	0.05 mg/l
Arsenic	0.05 mg/l
Alkalinity	0.05 mg/l
Calcium	150 mg/l
*Lab will also test VOC (Volatile Organic Compounds) levels	

The Board of Health does not make recommendations on which Massachusetts Certified Laboratory to use for private well testing but the following are some local labs that can be contacted for well testing services:

Analytical Balance Corp.
422 West Grove St.
Middleborough, MA 02346
508-946-2225

G&L Laboratories
246 Arlington St.
Quincy , MA 02170
617 328-3663

GeoLabs Inc.
45 Johnson Ln.
Braintree, MA 02184
781-848-7844

EnviroTech
8 Jan Sebastian
Sandwich, MA 02563
508-888-6460