

Notes From The EPA

Health Information

Our drinking water comes from wells and springs. As our water travels through the ground to the wells, it can dissolve naturally occurring minerals as well as substances from human activity. 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 at (1-800-426-4791).



Special Information Available

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 microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (1-800-426-4791).

Lead Info

Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. The City of Renton Water Utility 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 thirty seconds to two 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 (1-800-426-4791) or at www.epa.gov/safewater/lead

Who Do I Call?

Questions about this report:

- Call Water Utility Engineering at 425-430-7287

Water discoloration, taste or odor:

- Call Water Quality at 425-430-7400 (7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.)
Or 425-430-7500 after hours or weekends

To report water pressure problems, water leak in the street or at a meter:

- Call Water Maintenance at 425-430-7400 (7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.)
Or 425-430-7500 after hours or weekends

Moving and need to arrange a change of water service, or for general billing questions:

- Call Utility Billing at 425-430-6852

Emergencies: Call 9-1-1



Typical Single-Family Home Water Use

