

WATER

Real Estate Sampling Instructions

Some lending agencies now require lead and nitrite/nitrate testing as well as bacteriological testing. Bacteriological tests are usually good for thirty to ninety days. Lead and nitrite/nitrates are usually a one time test and do not have a time restriction. Check with the lending agent for specific requirements.

This testing is not a requirement of DEQ. However, any testing done by DEQ must follow EPA approved methods and guidelines for quality assurance.

BACTERIOLOGICAL

1. The sample must be collected in a DEQ sampling bottle.
2. The sample must be delivered to the lab within 30 hours from the time of collection.
3. There is a \$21.81 charge for this test.
4. Check with the local post offices to be sure that the sample is on a truck leaving for the OKC downtown Post Office on the same day that the sample is collected. Samples are picked up twice a day at the P. O. box below and delivered to the DEQ laboratory.
5. This is a twenty-four hour test. Results will be mailed the next day.

SEND BACTERIOLOGICAL SAMPLES TO:



STATE
ENVIRONMENTAL
LABORATORY
P. O. BOX 24104
OKLAHOMA CITY,
OK 73124-0104

LEAD

1. One liter of water is required for this analysis.

2. The sample should be collected “first draw” in the morning and sent in as soon as possible. Do not run the water before filling the bottle. First draw samples are from water that has been standing in the pipes. This is where the lead concentration will be if it is present.



3. There is a \$21.81 charge for this test.
4. This test takes two to three weeks to complete. Results will be mailed as soon as all quality assurance has been completed on the analysis.

NITRITE/NITRATE

1. About 8 ounces of water is required for this analysis.
2. The sample can be collected at any time and sent in as soon as possible.
3. There is a \$24.92 charge for this test.
4. Some lenders require Nitrite and Nitrate to be listed separately. There is a \$49.84 charge for this.
5. Samples must be analyzed within 24 hours.
6. This test takes about one week to complete. Results will be mailed as soon as all quality assurance has been completed on the analysis.

SEND LEAD AND NITRITE/NITRATE SAMPLES TO:
STATE ENVIRONMENTAL LABORATORY
P. O. BOX 1677
OKLAHOMA CITY, OK 73101

We provide sampling bottles, mailing labels and forms. Contact John Ashford at (405) 702-1027.