



Annual Lead and Copper Tap Monitoring Reduction

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Applicability

If your system is sampling more frequently than annually due to a past Lead and Copper Rule (LCR) action level exceedance (ALE) it may be able to reduce to annual monitoring if it meets all of the following requirements:

- Received a written approval of its Lead and Copper Sampling Plan.
- Completed two consecutive 6-months of lead and copper tap monitoring that:
 - Met the action levels.
 - Were collected from the minimum number of required sites, or more.
 - Were collected from approved sample site locations.
- Completed all required ALE corrosion control and/or source water treatment steps.
- Received written approval from the State.

Send an email request to watersupply@dep.nj.gov with the Subject "LCR Monitoring Reduction Request" and your PWSID for further review of your eligibility.

Note: Small and medium sized systems under the LCR may be eligible to cease corrosion control and/or source water treatment steps if the system only has had one ALE and has not yet installed the approved corrosion control and/or source water treatment. This still requires written approval from the State.

Annual Reduction Monitoring Requirements

- Following written State approval, systems may reduce the frequency of sampling to once per year at the number of sites indicated in the table below.
- Samples are required to be collected from June 1st – September 30th as these are the most vulnerable months in which the highest lead levels are expected to occur.
- For systems that operate seasonally (e.g. school), it is recommended to collect samples during normal operations. For instance during the month of June before summer break and/or during September when the school session resumes.

Residential/ Non-Transient Population	Number of Distribution System Sites
>100,000	50
10,001 to 100,000	30
3,301 to 10,000	20
501 to 3,300	10
101 to 500	5
≤ 100	5*

**Same number of sites as standard monitoring*

Additional Resources:

NJDEP Lead in Drinking Water - Public Water System Information:

<https://www.nj.gov/dep/watersupply/dwc-lead-public.html>

Templates and Certification Forms: <https://www.nj.gov/dep/watersupply/dws-sampreg.html>

For further assistance, please contact the Bureau of Safe Drinking Water at

609-292-5550 or watersupply@dep.nj.gov