

? Is this spring water safe to drink?





This spring has tested positive for *E. coli* bacteria. Spring data available here: https://tinyurl.com/WVVAspring

You can remove bacteria like E. coli from spring water by adding a <u>small</u> amount of bleach.



E. coli bacteria in drinking water is a health risk and can make you sick.



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How to Disinfect Spring Water with Bleach



Adding a small amount of household bleach to spring water is safe and can help kill harmful bacteria.

- 1. Fill a clean one-gallon jug with spring water.
- 2. Fill eye-dropper with regular household bleach. Do **NOT** use scented or splash-less bleach.



3. Use eye-dropper to put 2 drops of bleach in the spring water jug. Cap and turn the jug upside down. Wait 30 minutes before using.



4. Store spring water in a refrigerator or in a cool spot in your home. Do not drink water after 1 week.



