

Your Actions Protect Highly Vulnerable Aquifers

and our drinking water reserves

Learn more about our drinking water aquifers through our [StoryMap](#)

Understand the Risks • Use better practices



Test your groundwater

Your groundwater is not just drinking water; it is also the basis of your family's long-term health. Be sure to test your groundwater regularly – for more than just E.Coli – and take action if required.



Ontario's advice about [testing after shock chlorination.](#)



Ontario's advice about [routine bacteria and chemical testing.](#)

When should you test?

1

Each and every year

- Once or twice is never enough
- Test for chemicals and natural metals too

2

After each shock chlorination

- 24 to 48 hours after
- 2 more times,
- 1 to 3 weeks apart



Your well water may **NOT be **SAFE** to consume, even if ...**

- Your well is placed and constructed to minimum regulatory standards
- You occasionally test your water for bacteria