

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER
Jamaica Village School
Lead and Copper Rule Violations

Our water system recently violated drinking water requirements. Although this is not an emergency, as our customers, you have a right to know what happened, what you should do, and what we are doing to correct this situation.

We are required to monitor your drinking water for specific contaminants on a regular basis. Results of regular monitoring are an indicator of whether or not our drinking water meets health standards. During June through November 2018 we did not monitor or test for pH and therefore cannot be sure of the quality of our drinking water during that time.

In order to reduce corrosion of lead and copper from plumbing components into our drinking water, we are required to add sodium carbonate (also known as soda ash) to adjust the pH of the water. We are required to test the pH of the water on a daily basis after the treatment and before our first customer to maintain a pH of at least 7.0. In January, February, April, and May 2018, pH levels were frequently below 7.0 which means the water was acidic and our corrosion control treatment was not operating effectively.

Infants and children who drink water containing lead in excess of the action level could experience delays in their physical or mental development. Children could show slight deficits in attention span and learning abilities. Adults who drink this water over many years could develop kidney problems or high blood pressure.

What should I do?

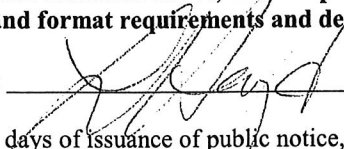
There is nothing you need to do at this time. We are required to begin monitoring for lead and copper during each 6-month period in the calendar year (January through June and July through December).

What is being done? (see instructions on completing this section)

- installation of a replacement mixer which will make the water less acidic
- daily pH readings when water is being produced

For more info, contact: Laura Hazard at 802-874-4822 or PO Box 448, Jamaica VT, 05343

Please share this information with all the other people who drink this water, especially those who may not have received this notice directly (for example, people in apartments, nursing homes, schools, and businesses). You can do this by posting this notice in a public place or distributing copies by hand or mail.

Certification	
Method(s) of Distribution: <u>newsletter (hand and email)</u> <small>(e.g. hand or direct delivery; mail; posting!)</small> <u>posted to website as well</u>	Date Distributed: <u>1/23/19</u>
I <u>Laura Hazard</u> (print name) Certify, as the Responsible Person (or authorized representative) of the water system indicated above, that the public notice has been provided to customers in accordance with the delivery, content, and format requirements and deadlines in the Vermont Water Supply Rule (Chapter 21, Subchapter 21-10).	
Signature: <u></u>	Date: <u>1/23/19</u>
Within 10 days of issuance of public notice, send a copy of the notice to: Drinking Water and Groundwater Protection Division, 1 National Life Dr – Main 2, Montpelier VT 05620-3521	
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