

Drop-Off Locations in Rural Areas

All locations below charge a handling fee:

- \$5 for 1-4 samples
- \$10 for 5 or more samples

Airdrie Regional Health Centre

604 Main Street S 403-912-8400
Tuesdays before 12:00 pm

Banff Public Health Centre

303 Lynx Street 403-762-2990
Mondays before 3:00 pm

Black Diamond Health Centre

717 Government Road S 403-933-8505
Mondays before 3:00 pm

Canmore Public Health Centre

#104, 800 Railway Avenue 403-678-5656
Mondays before 2:00 pm

Claresholm Public Health Unit

5221 2nd Street W 403-625-4061
Mondays before 12:00 pm

Cochrane Community Health Centre

60 Grande Boulevard 403-851-6130
Mondays before 12:00 pm

Didsbury Health Unit

1210 20th Avenue 403-335-9393
Tuesdays before 11:00 am

High River Public Health Centre

310 Macleod Trail 403-652-3297
Mondays before 12:00 pm

Nanton Community Health Centre

2216 – 20 Street 403-646-2218
Mondays until 3:00 pm

Okotoks Health and Wellness Centre

11 Cimarron Common 403-995-2600
Mondays before 3:00 pm

Strathmore Health Centre

650 Westchester Road 403-361-7200
Tuesdays before 11:00 am

Vulcan Public Health Unit

610 Elizabeth Street S 403-485-2285
Mondays before 3:30 pm

Drop-Off Locations within City of Calgary

To ensure efficient processing, drop off your chemical water sample at one of the following

**Alberta Health Service offices,
Monday to Friday, before 9:00 am:**

Sheldon M. Chumir Health Centre

Calgary Lab Service, 3rd floor
1213 4th Street SW 403-955-6188

East Calgary Health Centre 2nd Floor

4715 8th Avenue SE 403-944-7300

Acadia Community Health Centre

#132, 151 86th Avenue SE 403-944-7200

Shaganappi Community Health Centre

3415 8th Avenue SW 403-944-7373

North Hill Community Health Centre

1527 19th Street NW 403-944-7400

Northwest Community Health Centre

Ranchland & Bowness Sites 403-943-9700
#109, 1829 Ranchlands Blvd NW

Village Square Health Centre

2623 56th Street NE 403-944-7000

NOTIFICATION OF RESULTS

All results will be mailed to the address stated on requisition form.

Water results will not be faxed or given out over the phone.

If you have reason to believe your drinking water is unsafe, please review your results before assuming the water is safe to drink.



INSTRUCTIONS FOR TAKING WATER SAMPLES FOR CHEMICAL ANALYSIS

For more information about water sampling instructions and services, please call your local health inspector at one of the following locations:

Airdrie	403-918-8400
Banff	403-762-2990
Calgary	403-943-2295
Canmore	403-678-5656
Claresholm	403-625-4061
Cochrane	403-851-6130
Okotoks	403-995-2638
Strathmore	403-361-7200

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**IMPORTANT - TESTING IS ONLY
CONDUCTED ON WATER FOR HUMAN
CONSUMPTION.**

Samples collected for real estate transactions, mortgages, research, agricultural (ie. livestock use, irrigation, etc.), or other commercial purposes **will not be accepted nor processed.**

Use a private laboratory for these purposes. (Yellow Pages – “Laboratories”)

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

Please read all instructions on the sample requisition form and this brochure before collecting your sample.

Submit **drinking** water from the primary residence **only**.

Use only the special sample bottle provided by the Health Region.

SAMPLING PROCEDURE

Keep sample bottle closed until the moment it is to be filled.

1. Run the cold water tap at a controlled, steady flow for 5 minutes before collecting the sample.
2. Remove the cap from the bottle and fill the bottle completely.
3. Cap the bottle tightly.
4. Detach front sheet of requisition form. Attach **one Chemical ID No. Label** from this sheet to the ‘Identification number’ box on the sample bottle’s label.

Attach the **other Chemical ID No. Label** on top of the sample bottle’s lid.

Samples that are missing an ID label from the bottle will not be processed.

5. Complete the requisition form (see next section).
6. Place the sample bottle and completed form in the plastic bag.
7. Deliver to the Health Region.

Please call your local Health Inspector to discuss testing any water treatment devices such as reverse osmosis, distillation, cartridge filters, UV light devices, etc.

FILLING OUT THE REQUISITION FORM

Complete the requisition form and ensure that the following areas are properly completed (these are usually highlighted on each form).

REQUEST FOR CHEMICAL ANALYSIS

- Water supply for (your name)
- Mailing address, city, postal code
- Contact telephone number.

Collection Site - well head, kitchen tap, basement tap, etc.

Reason for Sampling - new well, five (5) year routine check, new baby, etc.

Legal Land Description MUST be provided – Section, Township, Range, Meridian

Sample Collected by - name of person who collected the sample

Date of Collection- day/month/year

- **Sample** - Private
- **Sample Treatment** – Raw
- **Source** – well, spring, cistern, etc.
- **Well Depth** – in feet

The Alberta Health Services is pleased to provide this free water analysis service to homeowners for testing their water supply’s chemistry once every five years, or when a **new baby arrives to the home**.