Total Haloacetic Acids MCL

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER

Fayette Water Company Has Levels of Total Haloacetic Acids Above Drinking Water Standards

Our water system recently violated a drinking water standard. 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. This violation applies to our customers that are provided with water from FWC's water treatment facility only.

We routinely monitor for the presence of drinking water contaminants. Testing results we received on August 26, 2026 show that our system exceeds the standard, or maximum contaminant level (MCL), for total haloacetic acids (HAA5). The standard for HAA5 is 0.060 milligrams per liter (mg/L). The average level of HAA5 over the last year was 0.068.

What should I do?

- **You do not need to use an alternative (e.g., bottled) water supply.** However, if you have specific health concerns, consult your doctor.

What does this mean?

This is not an immediate risk. If it had been, you would have been notified immediately. *However, some people who drink water containing haloacetic acids in excess of the MCL over many years may have an increased risk of getting cancer.*

What happened? What is being done?

Fayette Water Company is currently flushing the system and having additional water samples analyzed to determine the cause of the exceedance of HAA5's to guide us in a treatment solution. We anticipate resolving this issue by April 12, 2027.

For more information, please contact the Fayette Water Company Office at 618-427-3000 or 1745 N. 1615 Street, Brownstown, IL 62418

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.

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