



Improving Lead Sampling to Better Protect Public Health

EPA's Revisions to the Lead and Copper Rule

EPA's new rule:

1. Targets water that's actually from the lead service lines, not just the faucet or premise plumbing
2. Targets where the highest levels of lead are to identify problems sooner
3. Leads to more lead service line replacements and improved treatment to reduce lead
4. Better protects public health



- PREMISE PLUMBING
- SERVICE LINE
- WATER MAIN

Testing where the Lead is

For homes with lead service lines, the 5th liter of water must be tested for lead, not the 1st liter like the old rule.



Premise Plumbing: Premise plumbing is located inside the house.

Lead Service Line: A lead service line is a pipe that runs from the water main to the home's internal plumbing.

WATER METER

MAIN WATERLINE