

## Residential Lead Testing

Listed below are laboratories in our area that provide residential lead testing.

### **Suburban Laboratories, Inc.**

1950 S. Batavia Avenue  
Suite 150  
Geneva, Illinois 60134  
708-544-3260  
www.suburbanlabs.com

### **Somonauk Water Lab, Inc.**

300 East Market/P.O. Box 624  
Somonauk, Illinois 60552  
815-498-9491

### **Illinois Department of Natural Resources**

503 E. Main Street  
Benton, Illinois 62812  
618-438-9111 x224

### **Illinois EPA Lab**

825 N. Rutledge Avenue  
4th Floor  
Springfield, Illinois 62702  
217-782-9780

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*Questions or concerns  
regarding this notice can be  
directed to:  
publicworks@orlandpark.org*

*Village of Orland Park  
Public Works  
Department*

*15655 Ravinia Avenue  
Orland Park, IL 60462*

*708-403-6350*

*Department Hours:  
Monday-Friday  
7 AM to 5 PM*



## ORLAND PARK

Reduce Lead  
Exposure  
in  
Drinking Water  
After the Disruption  
of Water Service

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## NOTICE:

### Service Line Isolation Water Main Repairs

### ✕ Other

### Water Meter Replacement

The Public Works Department has or will soon begin water line maintenance or repair on the water main or your service line that may affect the lead content of your potable water supply.

### **This is NOT a notice of lead in your drinking water and is supplied for informational purposes only.**

Lead, a metal found in natural deposits, is harmful to human health.

The most common exposure to lead is swallowing or breathing in lead paint chips and dust. However, lead in drinking water can also be a source of lead exposure.

In the past, lead was used in some water service lines and household plumbing materials. Lead in water usually occurs through corrosion of plumbing products containing lead; however, disruptions (construction or maintenance) of lead service lines may also temporarily increase lead levels in the water supply.

This disruption may be sometimes caused by water main maintenance or replacement. As of June 19, 1986, new or replaced water service lines and new household plumbing materials could not contain more than 8% lead.

Lead content was further reduced on January 4, 2014, when plumbing materials were now required be certified as “lead-free” to be used (weighted average of wetted surface cannot be more than 0.25% lead).

### **What steps should be taken?**

**Run water to flush out lead.** If the plumbing in your home is accessible; you may be able to inspect your own plumbing to determine whether or not you; have a lead service line. Otherwise, you will most likely have to hire a plumber.

**If you do not have a lead service line,** running the water for 1-2 minutes at the kitchen tap should clear the lead from your household plumbing to the kitchen tap. Once you have done this, fill a container with water and store it in the refrigerator for drinking, cooking, and preparing baby formula throughout the day.

### **Use cold water for drinking, cooking, and preparing baby formula.**

Do not cook with or drink water from the hot water tap; lead dissolves more easily into hot water. Do not use water from the hot water tap to make baby formula.

### **Look for alternative sources or treatment of water.**

You may want to consider purchasing bottled water or a water filter that is certified to remove total lead.

**Clean and remove any debris from faucet aerators.** This should be completed on a regular basis. It's also advisable to clean faucet aerator screens after running the water post any interruption of water service.

**Do not boil water to remove lead.** Boiling water will not reduce lead.

**Purchase lead-free faucets and plumbing components.** Remove the entire lead service line.

If your fixtures were purchased before January 2014, there is a possibility that they may contain a small amount of lead. If you identify an active lead water service line, notify Public Works.

### **If you want to test your water for lead:**

Contact one of the lead testing companies listed on the back of this brochure to find out how to get your water tested for lead.

**The village does not perform residential testing.** Laboratories will send you the bottles for sample collection. Please note that we are not affiliated with the laboratories and they will charge you a fee. If test results indicate a lead level above 15 ug/L, bottled water should be used by pregnant women, breast-feeding women, young children and formula-fed infants.