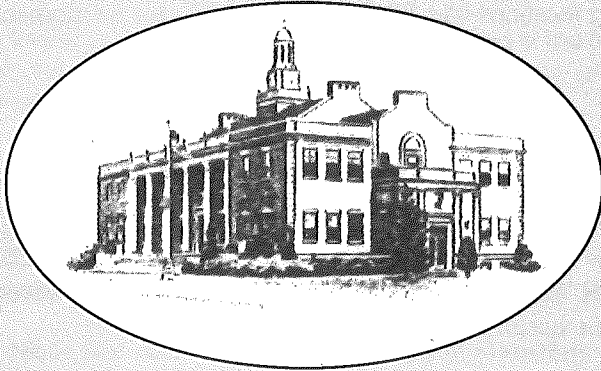


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**IMPORTANT INFORMATION
ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER**

**The Bloomfield Water System Has
Levels of Trihalomethanes Above
the 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.

We routinely monitor for the presence of drinking water contaminants. On June 3, 2016 we received notice that samples collected on May 16, 2016 showed that our system exceeds the standard, or maximum contaminant level (MCL), for trihalomethanes. The average level of trihalomethanes at one of four sampling locations was 83.0 µg/L. The MCL for trihalomethanes is 80 µg/L.

What should I do?

- There is nothing you need to do. **YOU DO NOT NEED TO BOIL YOUR WATER** or take other corrective actions. However, if you have specific health concerns, consult your doctor.
- If you have a severely compromised immune system, have an infant, are pregnant or are elderly, you may be at increased risk and should seek advice from your health care providers about drinking this water.

What does this mean?

THIS IS NOT AN EMERGENCY. IF IT HAD BEEN YOU WOULD HAVE BEEN NOTIFIED WITHIN 24 HOURS.

However, some people who drink trihalomethanes in excess of the MCL over many years may experience problems with their liver, kidney or central nervous system and may have increased risk of getting cancer. The 2nd quarter 2016 violation is similar to and associated with the 1st quarter of 2016 as well as the 4th quarter 2015 violation. Notices for those violations were distributed in March 2016 and December of 2015, respectively. The township has been actively working toward resolving this violation as indicated below.

What is being done?

1. A revised flushing program for the spring of 2016 will be completed by the time of the distribution of this notice.
2. A capital construction project to eliminate problematic dead-ends was completed in December of 2015. A second deadend elimination program is scheduled to be completed by December of 2016.
3. The township is also taking supplemental samples at the Newark interconnections to confirm that there is not an issue with the source water supply.

The above measures have resulted in consistently lower levels of TTHM's at all sampling locations below the MCL of 80 µg/L. A summary of these results are posted on the township website at:

<http://www.bloomfieldtwpnj.com/main/node/340>.

Of note, however, is that even with the lower levels our quarterly annual average at one location remains above the MCL. It is anticipated that the township will be in compliance with the MCL by the third quarter of 2016, thereby eliminating the need for this notice.

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****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.****

This notice is being sent to you by the Bloomfield Water Department;
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