

BOIL WATER NOTICE

Elevated levels of Giardia or Cryptosporidium have been found in water from the _____.
(name of Public Water System)

BOIL YOUR WATER BEFORE USING

Bring tap water to a rolling boil, boil for one minute, and cool before using. Or use bottled water certified for sale by the New York State Department of Health. Boiled or bottled water should be used for drinking, making ice, washing dishes, brushing teeth, and preparing food until further notice.

This Boil Water Notice applies to _____.
(describe area or attach map)

What Happened ?

Routine monitoring on _____ (date) showed an unexpected number of these protozoan microbes in your drinking water. There is no drinking water standard for this harmful microbe, but the results indicate a condition exists that can potentially cause illness and the Department of Health considers this to be a public health hazard.

These protozoans are common in natural waters in our State. Ingesting them in a large enough dose can cause diarrhea, cramps, nausea, headaches, or other symptoms. This may pose a special health risk for infants, some elderly, and people with severely compromised immune systems.

But these symptoms are not just caused by microbes in drinking water.

If you experience any of these symptoms and they persist, you should seek medical advice.

What is being done ?

(describe corrective actions)

It is likely that you will need to boil water for the next _____ days _____ hours until the problem is fixed. You will be informed when tests show that you no longer need to boil your water.

For more information, please contact:

_____ of the _____ at _____.
(name of person) (name of Public Water System) (phone number)

or the _____ at _____.
(County/District Office) (phone number)

Please share this information with other people who drink this water, especially anyone who may not get 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.

State Water System ID#: _____

Date distributed: _____