



# MASSDEP'S

## DRINKING WATER AT LOCAL FAIRS PROTECTIONS



**MassDEP recommends the following procedures to help Boards of Health provide oversight of private water supply sources used for public drinking water at local, county, and state fairs:**

- Buffer area of at least 100 feet established around wells
- Event operators working with certified drinking water professional 30 days prior to opening each fair
- Total coliform samples collected & test “absent of coliform bacteria”
  - Samples collected 30 days prior to event, and again at least 1 week prior to any use of water system, continually collected and analyzed on 7-day period during fair operation
- MA certified laboratory performs all testing
  - <https://www.mass.gov/certified-laboratories>

### **Other Resources:**

- Drinking Water Information for Boards of Health
  - <https://www.mass.gov/lists/drinking-water-information-for-boards-of-health>
- Private Wells
  - <https://www.mass.gov/private-wells>



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