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## Sampling Instructions: Lead and Copper

**CAUTION:** Bottles may contain a preservative. Handle with care. Do not rinse or overflow containers. Wear gloves when handling acids. If the preservative accidentally comes in contact with skin or clothing, rinse IMMEDIATELY and THOROUGHLY. Alloway assumes no responsibility for sampling procedures or for accidents that may occur while sampling.

1. Allow water to sit unused for six hours before collecting the sample.
2. Collect sample from the cold water tap.
3. DO NOT flush any water from the tap before filling the bottle. Fill a 1-quart container at each sample site. The bottle is preserved with nitric acid ( $\text{HNO}_3$ ), so please DO NOT OVERFLOW the bottle.
4. Fill out the paperwork, indicating the date and time collected, return address, sample location, and analysis required (total lead and copper).
5. Return paperwork and samples to the laboratory.

**NOTE:** Failure to follow these instructions may necessitate re-sampling.

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