



# COVID-19 AND YOUR WATER SUPPLY

## FAQ'S

### **Do I need to boil my drinking water?**

Boiling your water is not required as a precaution against COVID-19.

### **Is tap water safe to use for hand washing?**

EPA recommends that Americans continue to use and drink tap water as usual. According to the CDC, washing your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds helps prevent the spread of COVID-19

### **Do I need to buy bottled water or store drinking water?**

EPA recommends that citizens continue to use and drink tap water as usual. At this time, there are no indications that COVID-19 is in the drinking water supply or will affect the reliable supply of water.

### **Can I get COVID-19 from wastewater or sewage?**

WHO has indicated that “there is no evidence to date that COVID-19 virus has been transmitted via sewerage systems, with or without wastewater treatment.”

### **Will my septic system treat COVID-19?**

While decentralized wastewater treatment (i.e., septic tanks) do not disinfect, EPA expects a properly managed septic system to treat COVID-19 the same way it safely manages other viruses often found in wastewater. Additionally, when properly installed, a septic system is located at a distance and location designed to avoid impacting a water supply well.

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