

DRINKING WATER NOTICE

Van Wert City Has Levels of TTHM above Drinking Water Standards

Our water system recently violated the maximum contaminant level (MCL) for TTHM. The average level of TTHM over the last four quarters was 0.083 mg/L. The standard for TTHM is 0.080 mg/L.

What should I do?

- **You do not need to use an alternative (e.g. bottled) water supply.** However, if you have specific health concerns, consult your doctor.

What does this mean?

The levels detected do not pose an immediate risk to your health. Some people who drink water containing trihalomethanes in excess of the MCL over many years may experience problems with their liver, kidneys, or central nervous systems, and may have an increased risk of getting cancer.

What is being done?

We are investigating and taking the following necessary steps:
We have made turning over a greater % of water in the Water Towers our Standard Operating Procedure. Additionally, mixers have been installed in both of our water towers. Third Quarter 2025 analyses results were elevated as per usual, typically due to higher water temperatures. Second Quarter 2026 was elevated as well, atypical, we believe from heavy pumping, filling the reservoirs. We are working with a consultant in the design of an Aeration process that is supposed to help Van Wert Water drop the levels of TTHMs in our Drinking water to correct our problem as soon as possible.

Additional information may be obtained by contacting:

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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.

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