

**Private Wells - POTABLE WATER TEST RESULTS.**

The Board of Selectmen of the Town of Chester, New Hampshire acting under R.S.A. Chapter 147 Section I, and by any other power thereto enabling and acting hereunder and in accordance therewith, has, in the interest of and for the preservation of the public health, duly made and adopted the following rules and regulations

Prior to the issuance of a Certificate of Occupancy for any dwelling supplied by a private well system, the owner shall submit to the Building Inspector the water quality test results, from a NH Certified Well Testing Lab, for the NHDES recommended Standard Analysis as stated in Environmental Fact Sheet<sup>1,2</sup> WD-DWGB-2-1 dated 2011, as may be amended.

All drinking water wells shall be tested to the NH DES recommended standard analysis for drinking water. The test results shall show a comparison to the EPA Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) Standards. All tested parameters shall be disclosed to the purchaser of a property prior to closing. Such evidence of disclosure may be requested by the Building Inspector.

This requirement cannot be construed as a guarantee by the Town of Chester or its agents that the water system will function satisfactorily or that the system will remain at the tested levels. Periodic testing is advised.

These regulations shall take effect upon approval by the Board of Selectmen, publication and being recorded by the Town Clerk, Town of Chester, New Hampshire.

<sup>1</sup>The NH DES fact sheet, "Suggested Water Quality Testing for Private Wells", further recommends that this analysis be completed every 3-5 years (except for bacteria and nitrate which are recommended yearly)

<sup>2</sup>Arsenic testing is included in the recommended standard analysis, WD-DWGB-2-1.

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