



Village of Mechanicsburg

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Village Administrator

Roger Brake

Dear Residents,

The EPA is mandating a nation wide **waterline service survey** which will be due **Oct 16th**. We are requesting to receive them back by **August 15th**. This survey is unrelated to our recently completed waterline project. To be transparent and to stop any misleading information, the main lines that were just replaced were ductile pipe not lead pipes. We need your help and cooperation to complete this survey. If you need assistance with this survey contact the water department and we will be glad to help. Please mail in the survey using the enclosed envelope or drop-off the completed survey to the Municipal office at your earliest convenience. Please visit the **EPA Website under lead service line inventory** for more information about this survey.

Also the CCR Report will be available on the village's website July 1st 2024

Thanks again.

Mechanicsburg Water Department

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WE NEED YOU

What?

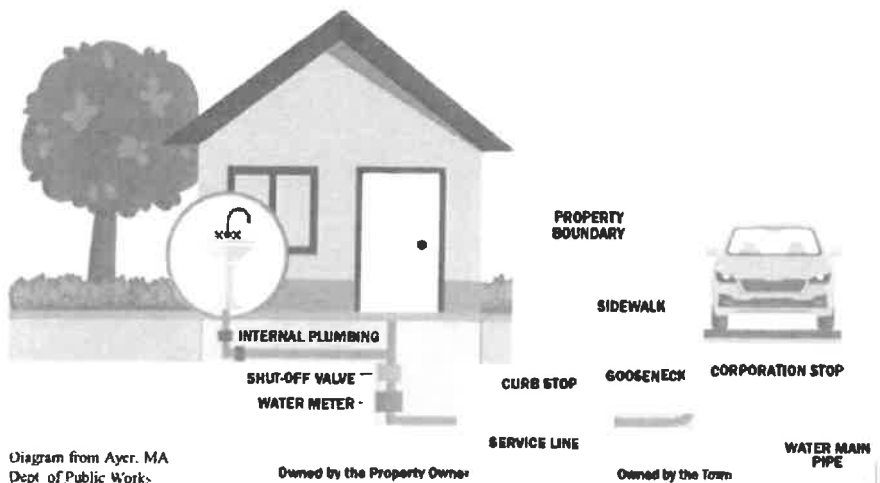
- To protect our customers from lead in drinking water, we are working to identify and catalog all service lines, including those in your home.
- To limit cost and disruption to residents, we need your help identifying your home's service line, which connects your residence to the main water distribution pipes.

How?

This 5–10-minute survey will walk you through how to identify your home's service line.

More Information

- Ohio EPA Lead and Copper



To complete this survey, you will need a smart phone (camera), a coin, a key or another tool, and a magnet.

Question 1: Customer Contact information (write in)

- Account number:
- Name:
- Address:
- Email address:

Question 2: Locate the water service line coming into your home/building.

The service line comes into your building from the street. It is typically located in a utility room on the lowest level of the building or in a crawl space. There service line will be connected to the water meter, if you have one. Identify a test area on the pipe between the point where it enters the building and the inlet valve/meter. If the pipe is covered or wrapped, expose a small area of metal.”]

- Were you able to find your drinking water service line?
 Yes
 No

Question 3: Were you able to perform a scratch test?

Scratch test instructions: Use the coin, key, or another tool to carefully scratch the pipe (like you would a lottery ticket). If your line is painted, you may need sandpaper to clear a small area.

- Yes
- No

Question 4: What was the color result after the scratch test?

- Shiny and silver – Lead
- Copper colored (like a penny) – Copper
- Dull and gray – Galvanized
- Visibly plastic (White and rigid) – Plastic

Question 5: Were you able to perform a magnet test?

Magnet test instructions: Place the magnet on the pipe.


- Yes
- No


Question 6: What was the result of the magnet test?

- The magnet does not stick to the pipe
- The magnet sticks to the pipe




You have a lead pipe if...


 **The Scratch Test**
...the scraped area is shiny and silver

 **The Magnet Test**
...the magnet will not stick to the pipe.




You have a copper pipe if...


 **The Scratch Test**
...the scraped area is copper in color like a penny.

 **The Magnet Test**
...the magnet will not stick to the pipe.



You have a galvanized pipe if...

 **The Scratch Test**
...the scraped area remains a dull gray.

 **The Magnet Test**
...the magnet sticks to the pipe.

From Des Plaines II, Public Works

Question 7: Add a photo of the pipe tested here:

Question 8: Additional information here:

Ohio EPA recommends the following questions to gain information for the privately owned portion of the line. Obtaining this information should help you to complete the service line inventory requirement. We urge systems to include a request for residents to submit a photo of their line.

Service Line Inventory Fact Sheet For PWSs

The Basics

- The USEPA Lead and Copper Rule Revisions (LCRR) require water systems to **create, maintain, and submit** inventories that include all service line materials in the distribution system, including both customer and utility owned service lines.
- More information is below or in USEPA Service Line Inventory Guidance.

Applies to
communities
and non-
transient non-
communities

Must be submitted to Ohio EPA by October 16th, 2024

Initial Inventory Must Include:

- **All service lines in the system (PWS), both utility and customer portions**
- **Each service line and/or sides of the service line must be classified as: lead (LSL), galvanized requiring replacement (GRR), non-lead, or lead status unknown (unknown).**

Consumer Notice Must Include:

- A statement that the service line material is lead, GRR, or unknown.
- Information on the health effects of lead. Details on required health effects language are available in 40 CFR §141.85(a)(1)(ii)25.
- Steps to minimize exposure in drinking water. Additional content is required based on service line material classification as follows for:
 - ⇒ **Confirmed LSLs**, the notification must include information about opportunities to replace the LSL, any available financial programs for the property owners, and a statement that the PWS must replace its portion if the property owners notify the PWS that they are replacing their portion.
 - ⇒ **Confirmed GRR**, the notification must include information about opportunities for service line replacement.
 - ⇒ **Lead status unknown**, the notification must include a statement that the service line is unknown but may be lead and information about opportunities to verify the material of the service line.

Required Information for the Inventory:

- Location information
- Material classification for service line for utility and customer sides
- For more information or to find the lead service line template, please visit epa.ohio.gov.

Required Information to Review for Service Line Material Classification:

- Previous Materials Evaluation
- Construction and Plumbing Codes and Records
- Water System Records
- Local Ordinances
- Distribution System Inspections
- For more see Exhibit 4-1 in USEPA Service Line Inventory Guidance.

Consumer Confidence Report Requirements

- Community water systems must include a statement that they have prepared a service line inventory and instructions on how to access the inventory, in their annual CCR.
 - Systems with no lead, GRR or lead status unknown service lines can instead provide a statement that they do not have any of those service lines, along with the description of methods used to make that determination.

PWSs are required to make regular updates to their inventory. Ohio EPA recommends PWSs update their publicly available inventory in real time.

PWSs must make a portion of their inventory publicly available, including a location identifier for each lead and GRR service line. PWSs that serve >50,000 people must provide their inventory online.