



Town of Cornwall

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Water & Sewer Utility

WATER REPORT 2015

Drinking water quality in the Town of Cornwall is maintained according to the standards set out in the *Guidelines for Canadian Drinking Water Quality*. Throughout the year, our Utility staff sample the Town's water distribution and waste water treatment plant to ensure residents continue to receive the highest quality of water and waste water treatment.

Bacteria Testing Results

In the Town's commitment to service and keeping a sustainable environment, our sampling procedures exceed provincial standards.

Samples from Distribution System							
Month	# of Samples	Positive TC Test (TC ≤ 10)	# of Non-Compliant (TC > 10)	E.coli	Positive BG Tests (BG ≤ 200)	# of Non-Compliant (BG > 200)	
January	9	0	0	0	0	0	
February	8	0	0	0	0	0	
March	14	0	0	0	0	0	
April	4	0	0	0	0	0	
May	11	0	0	0	0	0	
June	10	0	0	0	0	0	
July	10	0	0	0	0	0	
August	9	0	0	0	0	0	
September	15	0	0	0	0	0	
October	13	0	1	0	1	0	
November	12	1	1	0	0	0	
December	10	1	0	0	0	0	
Total	125	2	2	0	1	0	

Drinking water within the Town is chlorinated to have a minimum Free Chlorine Residual of at least 0.2 mg/L or higher at all points in the system at all times. This level of chlorination is an industry standard for drinking water disinfection and is recommended by the Guidelines for Canadian Drinking Water Quality.

In accordance with the *Drinking Water and Wastewater Facility Operating Regulations*, a water sample is collected from each source of supply (well) on a monthly basis and analyzed for the presence of coliform bacteria and E.coli.

Following collection, all water samples are sent to the Provincial Department of Environment Analytical Laboratory in Charlottetown. Each sample is tested for Total Coliforms DC and Escherichia Coli DC (E. Coli). In addition to the bacteria tests which are performed at the Provincial lab, the Free Chlorine Residual is analyzed and recorded by Utility Staff at the time of sample collection, as required by section 11(1)(e) of the *Drinking Water and Wastewater Facility Operating Regulations*.

Untreated Water (Samples from Wells)										
Month	Meadowbank	Northgate	East Wiltshire	River Point	Total Samples	Positive TC Test (TC≤10)	# of Non-Compliant (TC>10)	E.coli	Positive BG Tests (BG≤200)	# of Non-Compliant (BG>200)
January	2	1	2	2	7	1	1	0	0	1
February	2	1	2	1	6	0	0	0	0	0
March	2	1	2	2	7	2	0	0	2	0
April	2	1	1	1	5	0	1	0	0	0
May	2	1	2	2	7	0	2	0	1	0
June	2	1	2	2	7	1	1	0	0	1
July	2	1	2	4	9	0	2	0	0	1
August	2	1	2	2	7	1	1	0	0	1
September	2	1	2	1	6	1	1	0	1	0
October	2	1	2	1	6	2	0	0	0	0
November	2	1	2	1	6	1	0	0	0	0
December	2	1	2	1	6	2	1	0	0	0
Total	24	12	23	20	79	11	10	0	4	4

For each non-compliant sample at Meadowbank, Northgate and East Wiltshire, the well is isolated from the system and is flushed and resampled until clear samples are obtained. At River Point the Town uses a UV disinfection system along with chlorine disinfection together to provide safe drinking water.

In 2015, the Town of Cornwall pumped an average of 1,612 cubic meters of water per day. During the summer months the utility pumped an average of 1,809 cubic meters of water per day.

Chemistry Analysis

The Drinking Water and Wastewater Facility Operating Regulations require all active wells to be subject to chemical analysis. A general chemical analysis of each well must be performed annually and a detailed analysis every three years. All water chemistry analysis for Town of Cornwall is performed at the Provincial Analytical Laboratory. The Guidelines for Canadian Drinking Water Quality set a Maximum Allowable Concentration (MAC) for various chemical contents of drinking water.

The Town of Cornwall drew samples from each active well on May 26, 2015 for general chemical analysis.

The results showed that all active wells were within the Guidelines for Canadian Drinking Water Quality.

Chemical Analysis Report						
Chemical	Meadowbank (avg.) Concentration (mg/L)	Northgate (avg.) Concentration (mg/L)	East Wiltshire (avg.) Concentration (mg/L)	River Point (avg.) Concentration (mg/L)	MAC* (mg/L)	AO* (mg/L)
Alkalinity Total	97	116	138	122	--	--
Arsenic	0.004	<0.004	<0.004	<0.004	0.01	--
Barium	0.548	0.56	0.827	0.242	1.0	--
Calcium	31.5	32.9	33.3	35.7	--	--
Chloride	187	21.9	16.35	25.3	--	≤250
Copper	0.01	0.008	<0.005	<0.005	--	≤1.0
Iron	<0.009	<0.009	<0.009	<0.009	--	≤0.3
Lead	<0.002	<0.002	<0.002	<0.002	0.01	--
Magnesium	19.56	17.14	15.74	17.98	--	--
Manganese	<0.003	<0.003	<0.003	0.033	--	≤0.05
Nitrate-N	1.43	4.9	2	1.7	10.0	--
pH	7.4	7.1	7.1	7.2	--	6.5-8.5
Phosphorus	0.02	0.04	0.035	0.005	--	--
Potassium	2.42	1.66	1.69	1.43	--	--
Selenium	0.0045	<0.004	<0.004	<0.004	0.05	--
Sodium	71.58	6.38	8.33	8.53	--	≤200
Sulfate	16.215	5.55	4.99	6.34	--	≤500
Uranium	0.015	0.005	0.009	<0.003	0.02	--
Zinc	0.011	<0.006	<0.006	0.007	--	≤5
Total Hardness	159	152	156	164	--	≤200

*MAC - Maximum Acceptable Concentration

* AO - Aesthetic Objective - as per *Guidelines for Canadian Drinking Water Quality*, Health Canada

WASTEWATER EFFLUENT

In accordance with regulations, the Town of Cornwall's two lagoons are sampled quarterly and the results are shown in the table below.

Wastewater Treatment Report						
North River Lagoon				Cornwall Lagoon		
Month	Suspended Solids (MG/L)	CBOD (mg/L)	Average Faecal Coliform (MPN/100ml)	Suspended Solids (MG/L)	CBOD (mg/L)	Average Faecal Coliform (MPN/100ml)
January	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
February	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
March	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
April	2	<10	8	9	<10	8
May	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
June	3	<10	<2	4	<10	<2
July	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
August	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
September	6	<10	<2	1	<10	<2
October	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
November	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
December	1	<10	<2	18	<10	2

The Town of Cornwall is required not to exceed 25mg/L of Carbonaceous Biochemical Oxygen Demand (CBOD) and 25 mg/L of Total Suspended Solids (TSS) with Faecal Coliform of 200 Most Probable Number (MPN) / 100ml.