

Public Water Supply Monitoring Schedule FAQs

Why does my Total Coliform schedule show up more than once?

The total coliform sampling schedules are based on population and categories of population. A system can have residents, transient and non-transient populations all at once. There is a table in the database that looks at the different population categories and there may be cases where it applies the schedule to each open category. This results in multiple schedules showing up.

What if I am a community that has a large tourist population?

A system that has a large transient population in the summer or winter and is a community system all year may have two schedules. One schedule will specify the increased population in the summer or winter months where the number of samples will increase and a regular schedule for the year round residents where the number of samples will decrease.

What if I am a seasonal system?

A seasonal system should only have one schedule but occasionally the schedule will get altered due to an early opening or a late closing notification to the program. If the dates in the database population table, indicate the seasonal period is not the same, then two schedules may show up.

What if my results show I have not met the requirements but I know I sampled?

It is possible that your lab has not sent the results yet to the state. If you know you have sampled and a reasonable amount of time has passed, you should follow up with your lab first to see if the sample result was sent. If it was then you should follow up with the rule manager or data control technician in PWS.

Why does each sampling point show up on my Disinfection Byproduct Monitoring Schedule?

The monitoring schedule program looks at the sampling schedule for each facility (DS001) and each sample point (DBP1, DBP2...) so it will list each sample point in the database.

What if I have a waiver and it does not show up on my schedule?

Systems with an asbestos 9 year waiver will not show up since there is open schedule associated with the waiver. The requirements for monitoring will show up at the beginning of the next 9 year period.

What if I have a future monitoring schedule for VOC's or other analyte?

A system that has been on quarterly monitoring and completes the monitoring in a quarter within the year and goes to annual will see the future schedule in January of the next year.

Why doesn't my future uranium schedule show on my monitoring schedule?

Uranium does not follow the normal annual or three year monitoring or nine year waiver schedules of other analytes. If you have monitored and are going to a 6 year schedule then your uranium monitoring schedule will not show up until 2017.