

Protect your loved ones. Use these lead safety tips.

MAINTAIN YOUR DRINKING WATER

Below are tips that everyone can use to help maintain your home's drinking water quality.

- Before using the water from any faucet for drinking or cooking, run the cold water until it goes from room temperature to cold.
- You can keep water moving by doing everyday activities, such as:
 - Running a load a load of laundry.
 - Washing dishes.
 - Taking a shower.
- Clean the aerators on faucets at least once every six months to remove trapped debris.



LEAD IN THE HOME

Many homes built before 1978 contain lead-based paint. When lead-based paint gets old, it can start to peel, chip, or crack and become a hazard.

The older the home, the more likely it is to have lead-based paint.



Visit Michigan.gov/MiLeadSafe for more information and to see if you qualify for the Lead Safe Home Program to find and fix lead hazards.

BLOOD LEAD TESTING



The only way to know if you have a recent or ongoing exposure to lead is to get a blood lead test.

Talk to your doctor about a blood lead test to see if you and your loved ones are being exposed.

Children should be tested at one and two years of age or if you think your child has been exposed to a lead hazard.

If you have questions, contact the Michigan Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program at 517-335-8885.

Lead in Drinking Water

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Use a filter for your drinking water.

Use a certified lead-reducing drinking water filter if your home has or if you are uncertain if it has:

- Lead or galvanized plumbing.
- Old faucets and fittings sold before 2014.
- A lead service line carrying water from the street to your residence.



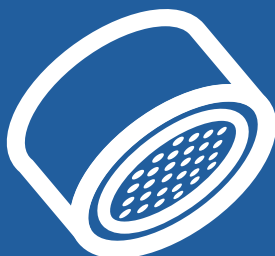
Get your water moving.

Maintain your home's drinking water quality by doing these everyday activities:

- Flushing toilets.
- Taking a shower.
- Running a load of laundry.
- Washing dishes.

Clean your faucet's aerator.

Remove trapped debris at least once every six months.



Consider replacing older plumbing, pipes, or faucets.

Replace lead or galvanized plumbing and faucets made **before 2014**.

For more information about things you can do to reduce lead in water, visit Michigan.gov/MiLeadSafe or call the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services Drinking Water Hotline at 844-934-1315.