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### ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH AND DRINKING WATER BRANCH

DWS Circular Letter #2020-34

**TO:** Community & Non-Transient Non-Community Public Water Systems  
**FROM:** Lori Mathieu, Branch Chief   
**DATE:** May 14, 2020  
**SUBJECT:** COVID-19 - Lead & Copper Rule Water Quality Monitoring & Precautions Guidance

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The Department of Public Health's (DPH) Drinking Water Section (DWS) has developed guidance for community and non-transient non-community public water systems (CWS and NTNC PWSs) regarding COVID-19 and compliance with the Lead and Copper Rule. Such guidance is entitled "Lead and Copper Rule Water Quality Monitoring and Precautions Guidance" and is available on the DPH DWS webpage at: <https://portal.ct.gov/DPH/Drinking-Water/COVID-19/COVID-19---Information-for-Public-Water-Systems>. This guidance provides information to CWS and NTNC PWSs regarding Lead and Copper Rule water quality monitoring requirements and precautions samplers and utility personnel should take during the COVID-19 pandemic to protect the samplers, utility personnel and customers of such CWS and NTNC PWSs from the spread of the COVID-19.

**Please be aware that DPH is not waiving any drinking water regulatory requirements to ensure that public health is protected. All monitoring and reporting violations will continue to be issued.**

If your PWS has closed temporarily, please contact the DWS at [DWDCompliance@ct.gov](mailto:DWDCompliance@ct.gov) with the closing date and when you plan to resume operations.

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