

Common Water Concerns

Hard water

There's nothing pleasant about living with rough, hard water. The calcium, magnesium and other minerals in hard water can be damaging to your pipes and appliances. And no amount of chemicals, scrubbing or lotions will help you avoid the affects of hard water:

- Rough, dry, itchy skin
- Limp, lifeless hair
- Stiff, scratchy laundry
- Spotty, cloudy dishes and glassware
- Showers and tubs layered with soap scum
- Irritated hands from scrubbing with harsh chemicals and detergents
- Decreased water pressure

Water that Smells

Foul or unpleasant smelling water can be one of the more troubling types of water problems one can experience. The odor is a constant reminder that there is something wrong with your water. Worse, trying to cook, clean, bathe, wash and enjoy your water can be a challenge when your water smells like:

- Chlorine
- Rotten egg
- Chemical
- Musty, earthy or wood
- Gasoline or oil
- Methane gas

Unfortunately, standard water filters, faucet filters and pitcher filters are no match for the chemicals and contaminants that cause the odors.

Bad tasting water

Poor tasting drinking water is one of the most common problems people experience with their drinking water. It is also one of the more frustrating water problems. Even the slightest metallic, salty, sour or bitter taste in your drinking water can be a big problem when you're using your water for cooking, making ice, brewing coffee and especially drinking.

Ugly looking water / water that stains

You don't have to look hard to spot the signs of problem water. Many of the mineral and chemical impurities commonly found in water, like magnesium, calcium, and iron can result in discolored water that leaves a noticeable mark all over the house:

- Yellow or colored water
- Orange or yellow rust stains in sinks and tubs
- Crusty lime buildup on faucets and shower heads
- Soap scum on tubs, showers and shower doors

- Spots on glasses and dishes
- Cloudy ice cubes
- Corrosion in plumbing and appliances
- Decreased performance and life from appliances

Unsafe water

Well water can present a unique challenge when it comes to ensuring water quality. The water in a well is more susceptible to the contaminants and impurities found naturally in the earth:

- Bacteria and viruses
- Arsenic
- Uranium
- Sodium Chloride
- Lead
- Radon