

VILLAGE OF KILLBUCK

138 SOUTH MAIN ST

KILLBUCK , OH 44637

Notification of Lead Status Unknown (Unknown) Service Line

Dear Consumer:

VILLAGE OF KILLBUCK is the public water system (PWS) responsible for providing drinking water to this location. This notification is being sent because this home or building has a lead status unknown service line. This means that your service line material is unknown and may be lead, galvanized requiring replacement, or a non-lead material. A service line is a pipe that connects the water main to the building.

What Does This Mean?

Under the authority of the Safe Drinking Water Act, the US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) requires us to notify water consumers who are served by a lead status unknown service line. A lead status unknown service line is where the service line material is not known to be lead, galvanized requiring replacement, or a non-lead service line, and there is no documented evidence supporting the material classification.

What are the Health Effects of Lead?

There is no safe level of lead in drinking water. Exposure to lead in drinking water can cause serious health effects in all age groups, especially pregnant people, infants (both formula-fed and breastfed), and young children. Some of the health effects to infants and children include decreases in IQ and attention span. Lead exposure can also result in new or worsened learning and behavior problems. The children of persons who are exposed to lead before or during pregnancy may be at increased risk of these harmful health effects. Adults have increased risks of heart disease, high blood pressure, and kidney or nervous system problems. Contact your health care provider for more information about your risks.

What Can I Do to Reduce Exposure to Lead if Found in My Drinking Water?

- **Do not boil water to remove lead.** Boiling water will not reduce lead.
- **Flush your tap if it has been unused for 6 or more hours.** Lead levels increase over time as water sits in lead-containing plumbing materials. Regular water usage in your home or building can reduce lead levels in drinking water. When water has not been used for 6 hours or more, homes and buildings served by lead or a galvanized requiring replacement service lines should be flushed until you note a temperature change, then flush for one more minute.
- **Use cold water for cooking, drinking, and preparing baby formula.** Do not cook with, drink, or make baby formula from your hot water tap. Lead dissolves more easily in hot water. Always use cold water and heat if needed.
- **Use an ANSI certified lead filter.** Filters certified to the ANSI/NSF 53 standard for lead removal can be effective at reducing lead levels in water.
- **Regularly clean your faucet aerators.** Over time, particles containing lead can build up on the inside of aerator screens. Cleaning aerators regularly will help eliminate this source of lead.
- **For pregnant persons, infants, and young children.** Some populations such as pregnant persons, infants, and young children may be more at risk from the harmful

effects of lead. These populations may consider taking extra precautions if their home is served by a lead or galvanized requiring replacement service line. These extra precautions may include having their drinking water analyzed for lead, using an alternative source of water (such as bottled water), or utilizing a filter certified to ANSI/NSF 53 standard for lead removal.

- **Replace lead containing plumbing fixtures.** Many old faucets, valves and other plumbing fixtures may contain lead. Identify if your building's plumbing fixtures contain lead, and replace them when appropriate.
- **You may wish to have your child's blood tested for lead.** Contact your child's healthcare provider for information regarding blood lead level testing. For additional information about childhood lead poisoning, please visit the Ohio Department of Health's Healthy Homes and Lead Poisoning Prevention Program website: <https://odh.ohio.gov/know-our-programs/Childhood-Lead-Poisoning>, or contact them at 1-877-LEADSAFE (532-3723) or lead.testing@odh.ohio.gov.
- You may wish to test your water for lead. To request this, contact KILLBUCK VILLAGE WATER –MIKE JUDSON 330-231-1380 for more information.

To obtain a copy of the service line replacement plan, please call MIKE JUDSON 330-231-1380.

What Can You do About Your Lead Status Unknown Service Line?

If the Unknown material is on the customer owned side: "To limit cost and disruption to residents, we need your help identifying your home's service line. Please use the (QR code or attached survey) or contact us for a paper copy to complete a short questionnaire." If unsure or no opportunities to provide: "As your PWS, we are required to provide you with information regarding opportunities to determine the material of the service line. Currently, we do not have any planned opportunities. Once available, you will be notified."

For More Information, Please Contact: MIKE JUDSON 330-231-1380, visit U.S. EPA's website at www.epa.gov/lead, or visit Ohio EPA's [Learn About Lead | Ohio Environmental Protection Agency](#) website. For information about other lead exposure, please visit the Ohio Department of Health's [Childhood Lead Poisoning](#) website.

Please share this information with all the other people in this home or building, especially those who may not have received this notice directly (for example, people in apartments, nursing homes, schools, and businesses). You can do this by posting this notice in a public place or distributing copies by hand Failure to Certify Notification to Persons Served by Known or Potential Service Line Containing Lead– Template 3b

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR DRINKING WATER

Reporting Requirement(s) Not Met for KILLBUCK VILLAGE WATER

Killbuck village had a service lines inventory violation in 2024. The violation was a Tier 2 and 3 where the inventory was not completed. The inventory list was completed in 2025 and will be posted on the website.

Our system failed to demonstrate to the State that it delivered annual notifications and information to affected consumers with lead, galvanized requiring replacement, or lead status unknown service lines as required by July 1, 2025. Although the failure to comply with the reporting requirement does not create a risk to public health, we are required to inform you of this violation and provide additional information including what we did to correct the situation.

It is important for consumers to know if the water they are receiving has been delivered through a lead, galvanized requiring replacement (GRR), or lead status unknown service line so they can make decisions on whether and what actions to take to reduce their exposure to lead in drinking water.

What should I do?

There is nothing you need to do at this time. You do not need to boil your water or take other actions. Remember, boiling water does not remove lead from water.

For more information on reducing lead exposure around your home/building and the health effects of lead, visit the EPA's websites at <https://www.epa.gov/ground-water-and-drinking-water/basic-information-about-lead-drinking-water> and <http://www.epa.gov/lead>.

What is being done?

A service line inventory has been created and is for viewing. "While we did not certify and notify the State as quickly as we should have, we provided the required notifications to persons served, as well as the missing information to the State on November 2025. We are no longer in violation.

For more information, please contact MIKE JUDSON 330-231-1380.

Please share this information with all the other people who drink this water, especially those who may not have received this notice directly (for example, people in apartments, nursing homes, schools, and businesses). You can do this by posting this notice in a public place or distributing copies by hand or mail.

This notice is being sent to you by KILLBUCK VILLAGE WATER . Public Water System ID# 3801012.

To complete this survey, you will need a smart phone (camera), a coin, a key or another tool, and a magnet.

Question 1: Customer Contact information (write in)

- Account number:
- Name:
- Address:
- Email address:

Question 2: Locate the water service line coming into your home/building.

[Add instructions on where to find your service line. Possible example: “The service line comes into your building from the street. It is typically located in a utility room on the lowest level of the building or in a crawl space. Ther service line will be connected to the water meter, if you have one. Identify a test area on the pipe between the point where it enters the building and the inlet valve/meter. If the pipe is covered or wrapped, expose a small area of metal.”]

- Were you able to find your drinking water service line?
 - Yes
 - No

Question 3: Were you able to perform a scratch test?

Scratch test instructions: Use the coin, key, or another tool to carefully scratch the pipe (like you would a lottery ticket). If your line is painted, you may need sandpaper to clear a small area.

- Yes
- No

Question 4: What was the color result after the scratch test?

- Shiny and silver – Lead
- Copper colored (like a penny) – Copper
- Dull and gray – Galvanized
- Visibly plastic (White and rigid) – Plastic

Question 5: Were you able to perform a magnet test?

Magnet test instructions: Place the magnet on the pipe.

- Yes

No



You have a lead pipe if...



The Scratch Test
...the scraped area is shiny and silver.



The Magnet Test
...the magnet will not stick to the pipe.



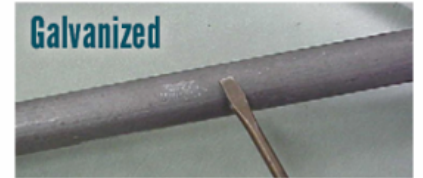
You have a copper pipe if...



The Scratch Test
...the scraped area is copper in color, like a penny.



The Magnet Test
...the magnet will not stick to the pipe.



You have a galvanized pipe if...



The Scratch Test
...the scraped area remains a dull gray.



The Magnet Test
...the magnet sticks to the pipe.

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