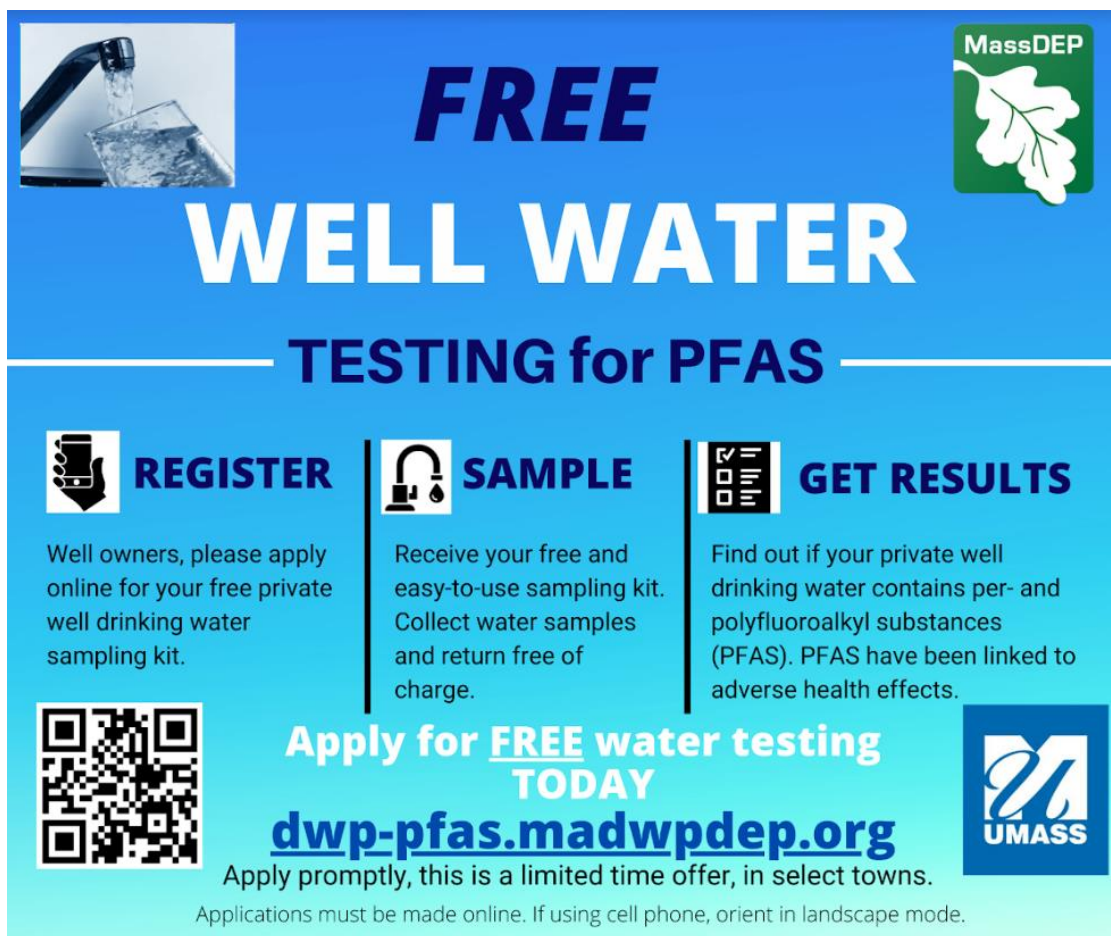


The Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection Agency (MassDEP) has announced a new program for free PFAS testing for private well owners in the state of Massachusetts. Municipalities where 60% or more of residents receive drinking water from non-public water systems, such as from private wells supervised by the local Board of Health are eligible to apply.

PFAS is a man-made, non-biodegradable chemical often found in firefighting foam, stain repellents, and the consumer products industry. Given its wide use, researchers have found that it has the potential to seep into surface soils, ground and surface water. PFAS exposure poses potential health risks for people who are immune compromised, women who are pregnant or nursing, and infants.

To register for a free private well drinking water sampling kit, please visit <https://dwp-pfas.madwpdep.org/> Applicants will receive a sampling kit and return to MassDEP free of charge. A limited number of test kits are available so please register as soon as possible.



The advertisement features a blue background with a white and green color scheme. At the top left, there is an image of water being poured from a faucet into a glass. In the top right corner is the MassDEP logo, which consists of a green square with a white oak leaf and the text 'MassDEP' above it. The main title 'FREE WELL WATER TESTING for PFAS' is prominently displayed in the center. Below the title, there are three columns of text, each with an icon: a smartphone for 'REGISTER', a water tap for 'SAMPLE', and a document with a checkmark for 'GET RESULTS'. A QR code is located in the bottom left corner. The bottom center contains the website URL 'dwp-pfas.madwpdep.org' and a note about the limited time offer. The bottom right corner features the UMass logo.

FREE
WELL WATER
TESTING for PFAS

REGISTER
Well owners, please apply online for your free private well drinking water sampling kit.

SAMPLE
Receive your free and easy-to-use sampling kit. Collect water samples and return free of charge.

GET RESULTS
Find out if your private well drinking water contains per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS). PFAS have been linked to adverse health effects.

Apply for **FREE** water testing **TODAY**
dwp-pfas.madwpdep.org

Apply promptly, this is a limited time offer, in select towns.
Applications must be made online. If using cell phone, orient in landscape mode.

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Additional information on PFAS can be reached at the sites below:

<https://www.mass.gov/doc/massdep-fact-sheet-pfas-in-drinking-water-questions-and-answers-for-consumers/download>

<https://www.mass.gov/doc/frequently-asked-questions-about-the-massdep-private-wells-pfas-sampling-program/download>