

IMPORTANT LEAD AND COPPER RULE REMINDERS

COMPLYING WITH LCRR REQUIREMENTS

The compliance date for the Lead and Copper Rule Revisions (LCRR) has passed and a number of new requirements are in effect for public water supplies. To ensure compliance, water systems should be doing the following:

- Submitting updated sample site plans to IEPA by December 31, 2024
- Sample 20% of schools annually for lead and copper starting in 2025
- Supplying water filters to customers for at least six months after lead service line replacement as of October 16, 2024
- Offering follow-up tap sampling between 3-6 months after lead service line replacement as of October 16, 2024

Find EEI's previous infographics on LCRR Sampling and Water Filters here



Source: PUR PLUS

PREPARING FOR LCRI REQUIREMENTS

To prepare for the LCRI inventory validation requirement, systems can start noting service line materials along all non-lead service lines at every opportunity (e.g., water main replacement). Starting in 2027, the Lead and Copper Rule Improvements (LCRI) will require all water systems to start validating non-lead service lines. Water systems must visually verify approximately 20% of non-lead services unless it meets one of the following criteria:

- The service has been previously replaced
- The service has been visually verified already
- The service was installed after 1988

The exact number of validations are based on the total number of non-lead service lines in the validation pool:

Size of Validation Pool	Number of Validations Required
<1,500	20% of Pool
1,500-2,000	322
2,001-3,000	341
3,001-4,000	351
4,001-6,000	361
6,001-10,000	371
10,001-50,000	381
>50,000	384



To validate a non-lead service line, the water system must visually verify a minimum of two points along the pipe exterior. Where ownership of the service is shared, the water system must visually inspect both the public side and private side of the service.

The validations will be due by December 31, 2034.



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