

1550.3220 BOTTLED WATER PROCESS REQUIREMENTS.

Subpart 1. **Filtering; processing; packaging.** Bottled water, including mineral water, must be processed and packaged according to Code of Federal Regulations, title 21, parts 110 and 129, and other rules adopted by the department.

Subp. 2. **Microbiological controls.** Bottled water production, including transporting, processing, packaging, and storage, must be conducted under conditions and controls necessary to minimize the potential for microbiological contamination of the finished product.

Subp. 3. **Transportation or storage.** Bottled water must not be transported or stored in bulk tanks or processed or bottled through equipment or lines used for nonfood products.

Subp. 4. **Recalls.** Bottled water plant operators and water dealers must develop and maintain procedures for product recall and must implement those procedures for a product for which the operator or dealer knows or has reason to believe circumstances exist that may adversely affect its safety for the consumer. Plant operators and water dealers must notify the department within 48 hours of all recalls.

Subp. 5. **Artesian water.** Artesian water may be collected with the assistance of external force to enhance the natural underground pressure so long as those measures do not alter the physical properties, composition, and quality of the water.

Subp. 6. **Spring water.** Spring water must be collected only at the spring or through a bore hole that is adjacent to the point of emergence. Spring water collected with the assistance of external force to protect the water must be from the same underground stratum as the spring and must retain all the physical properties of and be of the same composition and quality as the water that flows naturally to the surface of the earth.

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