

WATER SAMPLING POLICY

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1. Policy

1.1 Statement of Objectives

It is the aim of Warrington Borough Council is ensure that water which is used for:

- a) Drinking (human consumption)
- b) Swimming pools, spa pools etc.
- c) Water features, fountains etc

Is fit for use, both microbiologically and chemically and complies with the relevant regulations and guidance.

N.B. Water used in food manufacture is dealt with in the Food Sampling Policy.

1.2 Sampling Levels

- a) Public Water Supply (supplied by water undertaker United Utilities Water Ltd).

The Water Supply (Water Quality) Regulations 2000 require the water undertaker to ensure the safety of water supplied, and to carry out sampling, these results are notified to the Council on a monthly basis covering all water zones.

The level of sampling carried out by the undertaker is considered satisfactory and the Council carries out no regular sampling.

- b) Private Water Supplies

Private water supplies are sampled in accordance with the Private Water Supplies Regulations 1991 either directly by the Council or by an authorised third party.

- c) Swimming pools, spa pools etc

All public and private facilities are sampled in accordance with the programme that takes into account management control and on site sampling arrangements. Sampling is biased to the months of greater usage.

d) Water features, fountains etc

Sampled in accordance with individual risk assessments and maintenance programmes.

e) Complaints

Complaints received are investigated and samples taken as necessary and the appropriate parties notified of the results.

2 Sampling Programme

2.1 Review

The sampling programme is reviewed annually

2.2 Sampling

Sampling is carried out in accordance with relevant operational procedures and work instructions