

What to Do During and After a Precautionary Boil Water Advisory

To Boil Water:

- Fill a pot with water.
- Heat the water until bubbles come from the bottom of the pot to the top.
- Once the water reaches a rolling boil, let it boil for 1 minute.
- Turn off the heat source and let the water cool.
- Pour the water into a clean container with a cover for storage.

Ice:

- Do not use ice from ice dispensers or ice makers.
- Throw out all ice made with tap water.

Bathing and Showering:

- Be careful not to swallow any water when bathing or showering.

Brushing Teeth:

Brush teeth with boiled (cooled) or bottled water. Do not use untreated tap water.

Washing Dishes:

Household dishwashers generally are safe to use if the water reaches a final rinse temperature of at least 150 degrees or if the dishwasher has a sanitizing cycle.

To wash dishes by hand:

- Wash and rinse the dishes as you normally would use hot water.
- In a separate basin, add 1 teaspoon of unscented household liquid bleach for each gallon of warm water.
- Soak the rinsed dishes in the water for at least one minute.
- Let the dishes air dry completely.

Laundry:

It is safe to do laundry as usual.

Pets:

Water for pets should be treated the same by giving them boiled water after it has been allowed to cool.

Rescission of the Precautionary Boil Water Notice:

- Please allow water to run for five minutes at each tap to flush the lines with safe water.
- Discard the first bin full of ice dropped.