



EPA Free Chlorine in Drinking Water Sciencefaircenter.com Study Kit

Each water sample is tested for this Set of parameters:
Free Chlorine, Alkalinity and pH
(3 tests per Set)

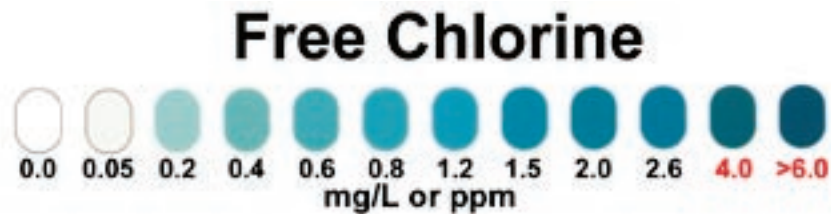
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FREE CHLORINE

Colorimetric test strips.

Free Chlorine test strips are used for testing drinking water from a city water treatment system. This test is a low range Free Chlorine that works great for drinking water testing with the low range color blocks. This test reports concentrations of Free Chlorine without interference from chloramines.

This test has been calibrated around EPA drinking water standards. Free Chlorine levels of 4.0 mg/L or greater exceeds Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) as recommended by EPA.

The test reports mg/L or ppm of:

Free Chlorine 0.0, 0.05, 0.2, 0.4, 0.6, 0.8, 1.2, 1.5, 2.0, 2.6, 4, and 6

Results are obtained from this test in 40 seconds.

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Total Alkalinity



TOTAL ALKALINITY

COLORIMETRIC TEST STRIPS

Total Alkalinity is a fundamental parameter in water testing. Alkalinity indicates the buffering capacity of natural waters. A water is said to be buffered if the pH is not changed greatly by addition of acids or bases. The most effective buffering action is within the pH range of water from near 6.0 to about 8.5.

Most natural waters are buffered by some extent by reactions which involve dissolved carbon dioxide CO₂. It forms an indispensable reservoir of carbon for photosynthesis. Thus, the productivities of water can be correlated with alkalinity and the buffering system.

The color chart for this test allows you to read total alkalinity in mg/L or ppm.

This test reports total alkalinity concentrations in water at 0, 40, 80, 120, 180 and 240 mg/L or ppm.

Results are obtained from this test 30 seconds.

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pH Scales



pH CHECK

Colorimetric test strips

This pH test is very versatile in that it can be used for drinking water testing, food processing, environmental applications or in any other water matrix.

pH is short for "power of Hydrogen." The balance of positively charged and negatively charged hydrogen ions in water determines pH.

Water that has a low pH is acidic or aggressive and can corrode plumbing resulting in metal ions being present in drinking water and damaged fixtures and pipes. Water that has a high pH is basic and will leave scale in pipes and on fixtures.

This test features two test pads both measuring pH at in the same range using different color indicators. This makes color matching easier than with other colorimetric tests.

This test reports water pH at the following levels:
2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 6.5, 7, 7.5, 8, 8.5, 9, 9.5, 10, 11, 12.

Results are obtained from this test in less than 1 minute.

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NOTE:

These pH test strips perform optimally in water with a Total Alkalinity above 80 mg/L or ppm. Water highly saturated with dissolved solids or highly buffered samples will give elevated results for pH.

NOTE:

National Secondary Drinking Water Regulations set forth by EPA recommend a pH level between 6.5-8.5

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