



## OH8701712 Village of Pemberville 2025 DRINKING WATER CONSUMER CONFIDENCE REPORT

The Village of Pemberville Water Department has prepared the following report to provide information to you, the consumer, on the quality of our drinking water. Included with this report is general health information, water quality test results, and how to participate in decisions concerning your drinking water.

*Este informe contiene información muy importante sobre la calidad de su agua potable. Por favor lea este informe o comuníquese con alguien que pueda traducir la información.*

In 2025, the Village Water Department continued to make improvements and upgrades to the water system. We completed the installation of a new 150,000 gallon elevated storage tank.

### Where does my water come from?

The source of the Village of Pemberville's water is Ground Water. We get the water from eight (8) wells in three (3) well fields. The water is treated in ION exchange units in the two (2) water treatment plants. Both water plants are operated and maintained by one employee with an Ohio EPA Class 1 Water Supply Operator License. To ensure the quality and consistency of the water, the water plants are checked 365 days a year. In 2025 29,398,000 gallons of water was produced for our customers, for a daily average of 80,542 gallons.

A Vulnerability Assessment report was prepared for your water system by the Ohio EPA. The assessment indicates that the Village of Pemberville's source of drinking water has a high susceptibility to contamination because:

- The wells are located in a sensitive karst area;
- The shallow depth (less than 25 feet below ground surface) of the aquifer;
- The shallow well casing depth (25 feet);
- Potential contamination sources exist within the protection area.

This does not mean that the aquifer will become contaminated, only that under the existing conditions ground water could become impacted by contaminant sources. A copy of the DRINKING WATER SOURCE ASSESSMENT for the Village of Pemberville is at the Village Hall. The DRINKING WATER SOURCE PROTECTION PLAN and the WATER SUPPLY CONTINGENCY PLAN were both reviewed in 2024. *Please contact Village Hall at 419-287-3832 if you would like additional information on this topic.*

### What are sources of contamination to drinking water?

The sources of drinking water both tap water and bottled water includes rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally-occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity.

Contaminants that may be present in source water include: (A) Microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations and wildlife; (B) Inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally-occurring or result from urban storm water runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming; (C) Pesticides and herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban storm water runoff, and residential uses; (D) Organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban storm water runoff, and septic systems; (E) radioactive contaminants, which can be naturally-occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, USEPA prescribes regulations which limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. FDA regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water which must provide the same protection for public health. Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (1-800-426-4791).

### Who needs to take special precautions?

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infection. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (1-800-426-4791).

### Lead Educational Information

If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. The Village of Pemberville is responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water hotline at 800-426-4791 or at <http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>.

Per the Lead and Copper Rules, Public Water Systems were required to develop and maintain a Service Line Inventory. A service line is the underground pipe that supplies your home or building with water. To view the Service Line Inventory, which lists the material type(s) for your location, you can visit Townhall at 115 Main St Pemberville, OH

In 2020, our PWS was sampled as part of the State of Ohio's Drinking Water Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS) Sampling Initiative. Six PFAS compounds were sampled, and none were detected in our finished drinking water. For more information about PFAS, please visit [pfas.ohio.gov](http://pfas.ohio.gov).

The EPA requires regular sampling to ensure drinking water safety. The Village of Pemberville conducted sampling for Lead and Copper, Total Coliform, Total Chlorine, Radiologicals, Nitrate, VOC and Disinfection By-Products during 2025. Samples were collected for a total of 54 different contaminants most of which were **not detected** in the Village of Pemberville's water supply. The Ohio EPA requires us to monitor for some contaminants less than once per year because the concentrations of these contaminants do not change frequently. Some of our data, though accurate, are more than one year old.

### Revisions to the 2024 CCR

During the Jan-June 2024 monitoring period, Pemberville WTP failed to report the results of required OWQP sampling to Ohio EPA within 10 days following the end of the month in which the system received the sample results. OWQP samples were collected in the distribution system during April 2024, but results were not reported to Ohio EPA until May 16, 2024. Therefore, the OWQP data was not submitted to Ohio EPA within 10 days following the end of the month in which sample results were received and was reported late for the January – June 2024 monitoring period. Pemberville WTP will follow procedures to make sure sampling reports are submitted on time.

### 2025 Monitoring Violations

Pemberville Village Water failed to maintain hardness within acceptable range as set by plan approval. Total Hardness must not exceed 150mg/l. as per plan approval. On July 1 (205 mg/l), Aug 14 (205 mg/l), and Sep 4 (233 mg/l) the hardness levels exceeded the acceptable range set by plan approval at the North Water Treatment Plant. Pemberville Water was experiencing mechanical issues with a transfer pump at the plant. This problem has been corrected.

*In 2025, we had an unconditioned license to operate our water system.*

### How do I participate in decision concerning my drinking water?

Public participation and comments are encouraged at regular meetings of the Board of Public Affairs, which meet the Monday prior to the first and third Tuesday of each month. The meetings are held at 7:00 PM. For more information on your drinking water contact Nathan Schultze at [water@villageofpemberville.com](mailto:water@villageofpemberville.com).

Disinfectants and Disinfection By-Products	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Level Detected	MCLG	MCL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Chlorine	2025	1.39	0.85-1.95	MRDLG=4	MRDL=4	ppm	N	Water additive used to control microbes
Halocentric Acids (HAA5)	2025	13.6	12.9-13.6	No goal for the total	60	ppb	N	By-product of drinking water disinfection
Total Trihalomethanes (TTHM)	2025	48.7	35.4-48.7	No goal for the total	80	ppb	N	By-product of drinking water disinfection
Inorganic Contaminants	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Level Detected	MCLG	MCL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Barium	6/12/2025	0.0192	0.0192-0.0295	2	2	ppb	N	Discharge of drilling wastes; Discharge from metal refineries; Erosion of natural deposits.
Arsenic	6/12/2025	.0006	.0006-.0006	0	10	ppb	N	Erosion of natural deposits
Flouride	6/12/2025	1.19	0.61-1.19	4	4.0	Ppm	N	Erosion of natural deposits; water additive which promotes strong teeth; Discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories.
Cyanide	6/16/2025	.0007	0-.0007	2	2	ppb		Typically originates from industrial wastewater discharges, landfills.
Radioactive Contaminants	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Level Detected	MCLG	MCL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Gross Alpha Excluding Radon and Uranium	6/11/2025	5.26	5.26-5.26	0	15	pCi/L	N	Erosion of Natural Deposits.
Volatile Organic Compounds	Collection date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Level Detected	MCLG	MCL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Dichloromethane	6/16/2022	0.3	0-0.3	0	5	ppb	N	Discharge from pharmaceutical and chemical factories.
Ethylbenzene	6/16/2022	.07	0-0.7	700	700	ppb	N	Discharge from petroleum refineries.
Toluene	6/16/2022	.0001	0-.0001	1	1	ppm	N	Discharge from Petroleum Factories
Lead And Copper	Date Sampled	MCLG	Action Level	90 <sup>th</sup> percentile	# sites over AL	Units	Violation	Likely Source of Contamination
Copper	2025	1.3	1.3	0.295	0	ppm	N	Erosion of Natural Deposits; Leaching from wood preservatives; Corrosion of household plumbing systems.
Lead	2025	0	15	1.2	0	ppb	N	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits.

**How to read the Water Quality Data Table:**

EPA establishes the safe drinking water regulations that limit the amount of contaminants allowed in drinking water. The table shows the concentrations of detected substances in comparison to regulatory limits. Substances that were tested for, but not detected, are not included in this table.

Listed below is information on those contaminants that were found in the Village of Pemberville drinking water.

- **Maximum Contaminant Level Goal or MCLG:** The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.
- **Maximum Contaminant Level or MCL:** The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.
- **Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal (MRDLG):** The level of drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.
- **Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level (MRDL):** The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.
- **Picocuries per liter (pCi/L):** A common measure of radioactivity.
- **IDSE:** Initial Distribution System Evaluation
- **Action Level(AL):** The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.
- **ppm:** milligrams per liter or parts per million - or one ounce in 7,350 gallons of water.
- **ppb:** micrograms per liter or parts per billion - or one ounce in 7,350,000 gallons of water.
- **Action Level Goal (ALG):** The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. ALGs allow for a margin of safety.
- **PFAS:** Per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) are a group of man-made chemicals applied to many industrial, commercial and consumer products to make them waterproof, stain resistant, or nonstick. PFAS are also used in products like cosmetics, fast food packaging, and a type of firefighting foam called aqueous film forming foam (AFFF) which are used mainly on large spills of flammable liquids, such as jet fuel. PFAS are classified as contaminants of emerging concern, meaning that research into the harm they may cause to human health is still ongoing.

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