

SAMPLING INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. Purge the well.
- 2. Prepare the pump (Peristaltic preferred, Grundfos, or air bladder) as normal. Use the clamp provided to ensure a leak-proof connection.
- 3. Remove the filter from the Falcon tube.
- 4. Attach the inlet of the filter with a 1/4" 5/16" inner diameter (I.D.) tubing using the clamp to secure.
- 5. Place the filter within a receiving container so that the amount of water filtered can be measured accurately.
- 6. The amount of water filtered will vary depending upon the turbidity of the water. We recommend filtering 1-2 L.
- 7. Record the volume of water that passed through the filter, and then submit the filter for analysis. The water may then be discarded. Please cap the filter on both ends. The thinner end should be closed with the red rubber cap and the thicker end should be closed with the clear luer plug.

Note: If the filter clogs before 1L has been filtered, record how much water was passed through the first filter, and then collect an additional filter, also recording the volume of water that went through the second filter. In this case, both filters are then submitted for testing. For each location there should be no more than 2 filters used and there is no need to filter more than 2L of water.

Hold time for this analysis is 24-48 hours.

To Submit Sample:

- 1. Place the filter in the Falcon tube provided.
- 2. Affix the label to the Falcon tube and note the amount of water that passed through the filter, the well location, sampling date, and the analyses requested.

SHIPPING INSTRUCTIONS

Packaging Samples:

- 1. Samples should be shipped in a cooler with ice or blue ice for next day delivery. If regular ice is used, the ice should be double bagged.
- 2. A chain of custody form must be included with each shipment of samples. Access our chain of custody at www.microbe.com

Shipment for Weekday Delivery:

Samples for weekday delivery should be shipped to: Sample Custodian

Microbial Insights, Inc. 10515 Research Drive Knoxville, TN 37932 (865) 573-8188

Shipment for Saturday Delivery:

Coolers to be delivered on Saturday must be sent to our FedEx Drop Location. To ensure proper handling the following steps must be taken:

- 1. FedEx shipping label should be marked under (6) Special Handling, check Hold Saturday.
- 2. The cooler must be taped with FedEx SATURDAY tape.
- 3. The shipping label must be filled out with the Drop Location address below. Our laboratory name must be on the address label.
- 4. You MUST *notify by email* <u>customerservice@microbe.com</u> with the <u>tracking number</u> of the package on Friday (prior to 4pm Eastern Time) to arrange for Saturday pickup. Please make sure you write "Saturday Delivery" in the subject line of the message. Without proper labeling and the tracking number, there is no guarantee that the samples will be collected.

Samples for <u>Saturday delivery</u> should be shipped to: Microbial Insights, Inc.

FedEx Drop Location 10601 Murdock Drive Knoxville, TN 37932 (865) 300-8053