

Town of Lauderdale-By-The-Sea Chlorination Water System Notice



Water Treatment Scheduled for Nov. 2 to Nov. 23, 2010

The **City of Fort Lauderdale**, which provides water to residents in the **Town of Lauderdale-By-The-Sea**, is temporarily returning to using free chlorine in its drinking water system. This preventive maintenance procedure will be conducted beginning at 9 AM Tuesday, Nov. 2, and will end at 9 AM Tuesday, Nov. 23rd.

Free chlorination is a **common practice** for water systems using combined chlorine disinfection. The chlorination period is anticipated to be transparent to our customers; however, some may notice a slight change in the taste or smell of their tap water.

This procedure will affect Fort Lauderdale, Lauderdale-By-The-Sea, Oakland Park, Port Everglades Authority, Village of Sea Ranch Lakes, Wilton Manors and sections of Davie and Tamarac.

For more information

Water customers who receive a utility bill from the **City of Fort Lauderdale** may contact the 24-Hour Customer Service Center at 954-828-8000. You can also go online at www.fortlauderdale.gov/customerservice.

FREE CHLORINATION PROJECT FACT SHEET

What is Free Chlorination?

Free chlorination is a **temporary** process that distributes free chlorine in place of combined chlorine (chloramine) throughout the water distribution system as part of the semi-annual distribution system maintenance.

Free chlorination is a common practice used by water producers using the chloramine treatment method. It is typically performed once or twice per year over a two to four week time period.

Will I notice a change in my water?

Some people may notice a change in the taste or odor during this time, but adverse health effects are not expected.

Some aquatic and marine animal species are sensitive to free chlorine. Persons maintaining aquariums with any sensitive species are encouraged to contact their pet supply stores regarding dechlorinating the water. Any questions regarding kidney dialysis should be directed to the customer's doctor or dialysis specialist.

I noticed the hydrant on my street flowing; is this part of the process?

Flushing fire hydrants is a routine part of the free chlorination process. This will occur in various parts of the Town in order to distribute free chlorinated water into all parts of the water distribution system. As a result, increased flushing may be observed during this time.