



TOWN OF BERLIN WATER CONTROL COMMISSION

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PFAS Water Test Results

PFAS are man-made chemicals that have been used in industry and consumer products worldwide since the 1940's. They have been used to make non-stick cookware, water-repellent clothing, stain-resistant fabrics and carpets, some cosmetics, some firefighting foams, and products that resist grease, water, and oil.

During production and use, PFAS can migrate into the soil, water, and air. Most PFAS do not break down, so they remain in the environment. Because of their widespread-use and their persistence in the environment, PFAS are found in the blood of people and animals all over the world, and are present at low levels in a variety of food products, and in the environment. Some PFAS can build up in people and animals with repeated exposure over time.

While it is difficult to show that substances directly cause health conditions in humans, scientific studies have shown that exposure to some PFAS in the environment may be linked to harmful health effects in humans and animals. More research is needed to better understand the health effects of PFAS exposure.

Berlin Water Control was selected to have its water tested for 29 PFAS contaminants and Lithium. All results were less than the detection level. This is the second round of good results.

We are happy to let everyone know we are in compliance! If anyone wants more details, please contact Ray Jarema at 860-828-7065, or by email: Rjarema@berlinct.gov