



"After visiting the water treatment plant, this is the only water I'll drink."

Irfan Khan, tap water drinker

Clean drinking water? Toronto's squeaks it's so clean.

In fact, your tap water is pumped in from intakes up to 3 kilometres from shore and 10 metres below the surface of Lake Ontario.

And to ensure its purity, the water is tested 300,000 times per year for any irregularities.

We use only the necessary chemicals to treat the water, including chlorine, to kill E. Coli and any other bacteria that may be present. Then, a tiny (and harmless) amount of chlorine is left in the water to ensure its continued safety as it travels to you.

But that's not good enough. So drinking water samples are then taken every four hours to confirm the absence of bacteria. Any irregularities in a water sample are reported to Toronto's Medical Officer of Health and the Ministry of Environment. The public is notified if necessary.

For all the information we have on tap, please call the Waste and Water Information Line 392-4546, or visit our web site, <http://www.city.toronto.on.ca/water>

And if you want to be sure we're coming clean, visit a water treatment plant. Call 416-392-3566.