



Where can I get my agricultural water tested for microbial water quality in Florida?

Under proposed produce food safety guidelines, agricultural water that comes into contact with the harvestable portion of a crop covered under the rule will need to be tested for its microbial water quality. Typically, microbial water quality is evaluated by testing for the number of *E. coli* (by the Most Probable Number test, or MPN) in 100 ml (3.38 fl oz).

Below is a list of labs we know about that test for microbial water quality in Florida and their websites. Once you contact a company, they should provide you with everything you need to collect your agricultural water and get it tested.

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| ABC Research Corporation Gainesville, FL | http://www.abcr.com |
| Covance Laboratories, Inc. Daytona, FL | http://www.covance.com |
| Deibel Laboratories Sarasota, Gainesville, or Lakeland, FL | http://www.deibellabs.com/ |
| Eurofins Scientific, Inc. Jacksonville, FL | http://www.eurofins.com/ |
| IEH Food Safety Laboratories Belle Glade, FL | http://www.iehinc.com |
| PrimusLabs Belle Glade, FL | http://www.primuslabs.com/ |
| Silliker Laboratories Lakeland, FL | http://www.silliker.com |
| Thornton Labs Tampa, FL | http://www.thorntonlab.com/ |

Questions? Contact your local UF/IFAS Extension Agent, Keith Schneider at 352-392-1991 x 309 (keiths29@ufl.edu) or Michelle Danyluk at 863-956-8654 (mddanyluk@ufl.edu).

If you are a water testing laboratory, and we've missed you, please let us know so we can add you to our list!