

Microbial Water Quality Profile (MWQP): Water Testing Labs for Arkansas Growers



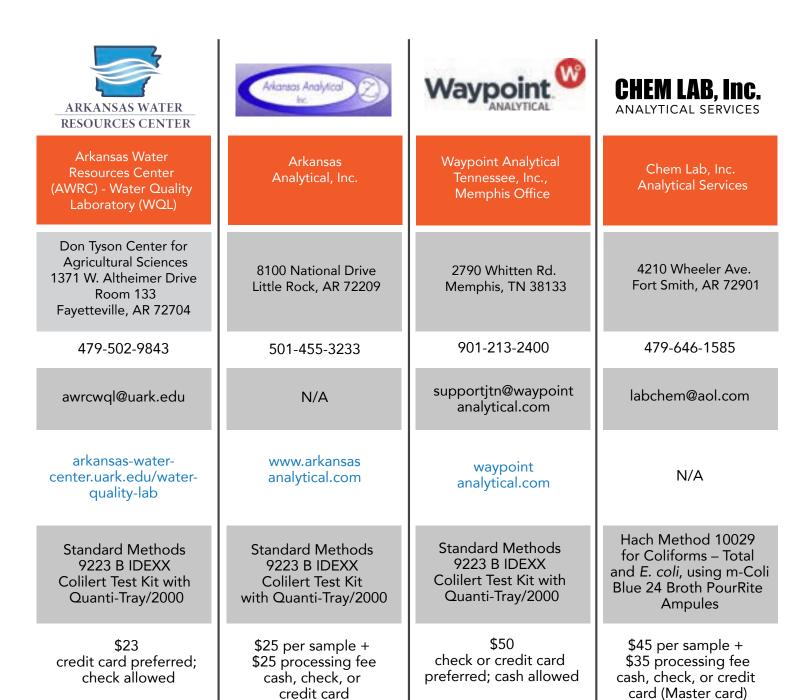
Many farms must test their agricultural water sources in order to comply with the Food Safety Modernization Act (FSMA) Produce Safety Rule (PSR). On the following page is a list of laboratories that conduct water testing in accordance with the FDA requirements and that are conveniently located for Arkansas growers. Additional lab locations can be found at the US Water Testing Lab Map webpage and on our fact sheet, Bacterial Water Sample Collection and Submission to a Water Quality Lab for Compliance with the Food Safety Modernization Act's Produce Safety Rule. Make sure that the lab uses FDA FSMA PSR approved methods which are also found in Microbial Water Quality Profile (MWQP): Approved Laboratory Methods.

Make sure to request the method that provides numerical results (in CFU/100 mL or MPN/100 mL) for the analysis of your production water used during the growing season for activities such as irrigation, fertigation, foliar sprays, and frost protection.









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