

## Microbial Water Quality Profile (MWQP): When to Start

Growers that must fully comply with the Food Safety Modernization Act Produce Safety Rule (PSR)<sup>a</sup> should start testing the safety of each of their water sources by the dates indicated in the table below.

BUSINESS SIZE	WATER RELATED COMPLIANCE DATES
<b>Very small</b> (\$25K-250K)	January 26, 2024
<b>Small</b> (\$250K-500K)	January 26, 2023
<b>Large</b> (>\$500K)	January 26, 2022

<sup>a</sup>Growers producing all covered produce except sprouts. See Does the Produce Safety Rule Apply to Me to determine if your farm is covered by the rule.

<sup>b</sup>Average annual produce sale (previous three-year period, adjusted for inflation).

<sup>c</sup>Disclaimer: The compliance dates for agriculture water have been delayed, and the Food and Drug Administration is revisiting the requirements in Subpart E of the PSR. This subpart has not been finalized and is subject to change.

More information about the farm size and compliance dates is available at the *University of Arkansas System Produce Safety website* and at the *Produce Safety Alliance website*.

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