




# ARKANSAS PRODUCE SAFETY



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