

Lead and Copper Tier Classifications

The tier classification for both community and non-transient non-community water systems is contained within Table 1. Tier 1 sample locations must be selected first (a water system should have all Tier 1 sites if available), then Tier 2 followed by Tier 3 sites to complete the sampling pool. In the event that the system has exhausted all Tier 1, 2, and 3 sample locations, samples must be collected at representative sites throughout the distribution system.

Tiering Classification	
Community Water System	Non-Transient Non-Community Water System
<p>Tier 1 sampling sites are single family structure:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • With copper pipes with lead solder installed after 1982 (but before 9/20/1988) or contain lead pipes; and/or • That are served by a lead service line. 	<p>Tier 1 sampling sites consist of buildings:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • With copper pipes with lead solder installed after 1982 (but before 9/20/1988) or contain lead pipes; and/or • that are served by a lead service line.
<p>Tier 2 sampling sites consist of buildings, including Multiple Family Residences (MFRs):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • With copper pipes with lead solder installed after 1982 (but before 9/20/1988) or contain lead pipes; and/or • that are served by a lead service line. 	<p>Tier 2 sampling sites consist of buildings with copper pipes with lead solder installed before 1983.</p>
<p>Tier 3 sampling sites are single-family structures with copper pipes having lead solder installed before 1983.</p>	<p>Tier 3: Not applicable.</p>