WATER SAMPLING INSTRUCTIONS

Proper sampling is a critical part of water testing. Select a tap that is supplying water from a service pipe directly connected with the main. Avoid leaky fixtures that may carry down contamination from the outside surfaces into the sample. In addition, avoid taps with aerators, strainers, hose attachments, mixing-type faucets, purification devices, or softeners.

Sampling Procedures:

- 1. Open the tap fully and let the **COLD** water run for 2-3 minutes to permit clearing of the service line.
- 2. Reduce the water flow to permit filling the bottle without splashing.
- 3. Fill the bottle completely (500 ml).
- 4. Replace cap tightly.
- 5. Complete the information on the sample label and place the label on top of the cap.
- 6. Submit the water sample along with the appropriate paper work to Micro Air, Inc. within 24 hours of the sample time. **Samples received after 24 hours will not be accepted.**
- 7. Place the sample in the refrigerator or on ice during transit/storage time.

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