Water Advisory: Household Action Plan

Small steps. Practical preparation. Keep this page where you can find it.

IN THE FIRST HOUR

- ☐ Confirm the advisory on your utility's website or alerts.
- ☐ Turn off ice makers and water-based appliances.
- ☐ Fill clean containers with bottled or previously stored safe water.
- ☐ Tell everyone at home not to drink from the tap.

MAKE WATER SAFE & STAY READY

- ☐ Boil clear water for 1 minute, or 3 minutes above 6,500 feet; let it cool.
- ☐ If you cannot boil, use purification tablets per the label.
- ☐ Clarify cloudy water, then follow official boil or treatment instructions.
- ☐ Store a 3-day supply, about one gallon per person per day.

SAFETY NOTE Boiling and tablets target germs but cannot remove fuel or other chemicals. If chemicals may be present, use bottled water and follow officials.

Checked by: _____ Date: _____ Review again: _____

Full guide: readyguidance.com/preparedness/maryland-water-plant-outage/

Safety reference: https://www.cdc.gov/water-emergency/about/index.html