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Interpretation of Nitrate Reading

Some waters containing over 10 mg/l nitrates have been shown to cause a condition known as methemoglobinemia or “Blue Baby Syndrome” in infants. The Nitrate content in your water sample was greater than 10 parts per million (10 mg/l) therefore, it is recommended that waters having greater than 10 mg/l nitrates **NOT** be used for infants, especially in regular preparation of infant formula. Individuals with compromised immune system should not use waters as well.

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