

## **Department Water Fountain Assessment**

#### Introduction

Use this Water Fountain Assessment tool to evaluate the quality of the water and the water fountains for your building. If fountains need repair, contact PP-CS.

#### **Water Fountain Assessment Notes**

- Be sure to fill out the attached form completely.
- Be objective. It is important to remain as objective as possible, putting aside personal biases.

### **Water Fountain Characteristics: Directions & Descriptions**

| Characteristics  | Excellent  | Acceptable  | Unacceptable   | Severe   |
|--|--|---|--|--|
|  |  |   |  | Problems?  |
| Visual Appeal of Fountain  | Very clean   | Clean   | Dirty fountain   | N/A  |
| Water Pressure: to assess pressure, turn on fountain and observe stream of water   | Water pressure creates a sufficient arch to easily place mouth in midstream and would allow easy filling of reusable water bottles | Sufficient water pressure to avoid mouth contact with fountain; placing mouth close to spigot or stooping may be required | Insufficient water pressure to avoid mouth contact with fountain                               | N/A  |
| Water Color: to assess color, collect a sample in the cup provided and hold against a white piece of paper. If a distinct color observed, run water for 2 minutes and observe again. | Colorless  | Initial color (blue,<br>brown, etc) but<br>colorless after<br>running water for 2<br>minutes                              | Brown, blue, grey,<br>etc. colors<br>observed- even<br>after running<br>water for 2<br>minutes | Water color does<br>not fade after<br>running water for<br>2 minutes       |
| Water Turbidity: to assess turbidity, collect a sample in the cup provided. Hold against a white piece of paper and observe immediately as well as over time (~2 minutes)            | No cloudiness, no sediment   | Slight cloudiness<br>that disappears<br>over time, as water<br>stands in cup  | Slight cloudiness<br>that does not<br>disappear over<br>time                                   | Extreme cloudiness or presence of sediment that do not disappear over time |
| Water Odor: to assess odor, smell water coming out of fountain   | No odor is detectable  | Slight chlorine odor  | Musty, moldy or other off-odors  | Extreme off-<br>odors  |
| Water Taste: do NOT taste water if severe problem encountered. Instead notify Campus Sanitarian via email.   | No taste is<br>detectable  | Slight chlorine<br>taste  | Musty, moldy, or other off-tastes  | Extremely off-<br>tastes   |

# Water Fountain Assessment Building: \_\_\_\_\_Name of individual completing the assessment: \_\_\_\_\_

| Location Floor:                         |   |             | Nearest room number:     |              |                |                 |  |
|---|---|-------------|--------------------------|--------------|----------------|-----------------|--|
| Is fountain visible to passing traffic? |   |             | □ NO                     |              | NO             | Comments / Note |  |
| Visual Appeal of Fountain               | no objectionable filth or residues              | <b>□</b> E: | xcellent                 | ☐ Accepta    | ble            | ☐ Unacceptable  |  |
| Water<br>Pressure                       | Sufficient to avoid mouth contact with fountain | ☐ Ex        | □ Excellent □ Acceptable |              | ☐ Unacceptable |                 |  |
| Water Color                             | Clear   | ☐ Excellent |                          | ☐ Acceptable |                | ☐ Unacceptable  |  |
| Water<br>Turbidity                      | No cloudiness, no sediments                     | ☐ E         | xcellent                 | ☐ Accepta    | ble            | ☐ Unacceptable  |  |
| Water Odor                              | No objectionable odors                          | ☐ E         | xcellent                 | ☐ Acceptable |                | ☐ Unacceptable  |  |
| Water Taste                             | Nothing objectionable                           | □ E         | xcellent                 | ☐ Acceptable |                | ☐ Unacceptable  |  |
| Fountain<br>Type?                       | ☐ Wall-mounted                                  | ☐ St        | tand-alone               | ☐ Ceramic    |                | ☐ Metal         |  |
| Use?                                    | Saw people using water fountain                 |             | ☐ YES                    |              | □ NO           |                 |  |
| Follow-up                               |   |             |                          | •            |                | <u>'</u>        |  |
| Other Notes:                            |   |             |                          |              |                |                 |  |

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