

Understanding Test Results from CARO Analytical

RL Units: Reporting Limits – the lowest amount that their instruments can detect

Guideline: the level currently accepted as safe for Canadian drinking water

Result: Numbers in bold type show the amount that was measured in your sample. Compare this to the Guideline column to see how it compares to the “safe” level. Remember that each decimal place is a factor of 10.

.005 is 10 times less than .05

.05 is 10 times less than .5 and .5 is 10 times less than 5

If your result exceeds the safe level, the number will be shown in red.