

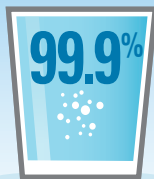
WATER QUALITY IN PRIVATE SUPPLIES



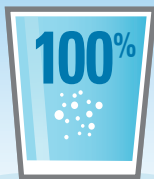
ALMOST
20%

OF IRELAND'S POPULATION
IS SUPPLIED BY PRIVATE
WATER SUPPLIES

**WATER QUALITY IN PRIVATE WATER SUPPLIES IS
CONSISTENTLY POORER THAN PUBLIC WATER SUPPLIES**



PUBLIC WATER
SUPPLIES



PUBLIC GROUP
SCHEMES



PRIVATE GROUP
SCHEMES



SMALL PRIVATE
SUPPLIES

PROTECTING PRIVATE SUPPLIES

**STEP 1:
CHECK YOUR
SOURCE**

Is your
wellhead
sealed?



Can surface
water get
into the well?



Can animals
get into the river,
stream or spring?



STEP 2 : CHECK FOR ANY SOURCES OF POLLUTION

SEPTIC
TANKS



SLURRY
LANDSPREADING



CHEMICAL
STORAGE



FUEL
STORAGE TANKS



**STEP 3:
TEST THE SUPPLY ANNUALLY**
ideally following wet weather
(treatment may be necessary
if contaminated)

