



**INSTRUCTIONS FOR COLLECTING COMPLIANCE WATER SAMPLES FOR**  
**Herbicide Screen**  
**CHLORINATED ACIDS**

1. Collect sample at the sample point preprinted on the sample form.
2. Remove any screen, hoses and aerators from end of faucet.
3. Run COLD water for 3 to 5 minutes to make sure water has not been sitting for a long time in pipes or tanks and is fresh from the well.
4. Turn water down so it does not splash.
5. Remove container cap. Do not allow inside of cap, inside of bottle, or bottle threads to be touched by any object.
6. Fill bottle carefully to shoulder. Bottle contains a dechlorinating tablet, do not flush tablet when filling bottle. Screw cap on securely and shake to dissolve tablet.
7. Freeze cool-pack and replace in shipping container just prior to shipping.
8. Fill out the required information on sample form. **SIGN THE FORM!** The sample will not be processed unless the form has a signature!
9. Return bottle with completed paperwork to lab. **SAMPLE MUST ARRIVE AT LAB WITHIN 7 DAYS OF COLLECTION! If not mailed directly after sample collection, store samples at 4°C.**

**IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS....PLEASE CALL THE MAINE DRINKING WATER PROGRAM  
AT (207) 287-2070 OR YOUR LABORATORY**