

(2) In order to register with the Department, a person shall present to the Department:

(i) A statement of acceptability issued by the appropriate approving authority of the state in which the water is collected, demonstrating that:

1. The source of the water supply and the method of handling the water, as practiced in that state, are not prejudicial to the public health and the method is at least as stringent as those required under this section; and

2. The water is allowed to be sold in the state that issued the statement of acceptability; and

(ii) Any other documents related to public health and safety required of a person applying for a license to bottle water in this State.

(3) The provisions of this subsection do not prevent the Department from prohibiting the use or sale of bottled water shipped from outside this State, if, in the judgment of the Department:

(i) The water is shown by analysis to be unfit for drinking;

(ii) The water has been misbranded under § 21-210 of this title;

or

(iii) Its quality in any way is injured by such handling as may be accorded to it after arriving in this State.

(4) The Secretary shall establish an annual out-of-state registration fee under this section in accordance with § 2-104 of this article.]

(e) (1) (i) A person who is licensed [or registered] under this section shall submit to the Department the results of:

1. Annual chemical and radiological analyses of a representative sample of the person's source water and bottled water; and

2. A monthly microbiological analysis of a representative sample of the source water and bottled water.

(ii) The analyses shall demonstrate that the source water and bottled water comply with the chemical, radiological, and microbiological standards adopted by the Department, which shall meet or exceed the standards prescribed by the federal Food and Drug Administration.