

BUYER'S GUIDE

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TREATMENT ISSUES

(RANKED IN ORDER — MOST CRITICAL FIRST)

Yes No Is the system guaranteed to remove at least 99.9999% of all bacteria, algae, molds and spores?

(Very important for people on municipal supplies who want to be safe from breakdowns that occur forcing "boil-alerts" and especially important for anyone on a private water supply.)

Yes No Is the system guaranteed to remove at least 99.95% of cysts?

(Very important for all water supplies.)

Yes No Is the system effective at removing mercury, cadmium, chromium, cyanide, aluminum, arsenic and lead?

Yes No Is the system effective at removing chlorine and the disinfection by-products of chlorine like trihalomethanes?

(Very important for municipal water or well-water that uses chlorine for disinfection.)

Yes No Is the system effective at removing chloramines and ammonia?

(Very important for municipal water that uses this option for disinfecting water supplies.)

Yes No Is the system effective at removing pesticides, herbicides, and insecticides as well as tastes and odors?

(Very important if you have a private well.)

Yes No Is the system effective at removing fluoride?
(Important if your water supply is fluoridated or naturally contains .5mg/L or ppm. or higher of fluoride.)

Yes No Is the system effective at removing nitrates?
(Very important if you have a well and live near an agricultural area.)

Yes No Is the system effective at removing hydrogen sulfide?
(Important if your water has a "rotten-egg" odor.)

Yes No Is the system effective at reducing excessive levels of iron, manganese, copper and zinc.
(low levels are desirable as important nutrients)

Yes No Does the system preserve the healthy alkaline minerals of calcium, phosphorus, potassium and magnesium?

Yes No Does the system render the treated water (bacteriostatic) unable to support the growth of microorganisms?

(Important if you want to dispense water into portable bottles and have it stay fresh for periods of time.)

VALUE ISSUES

(RANKED IN ORDER – MOST CRITICAL FIRST)

Yes No Will the system operate without electricity?

Yes No Is the system designed so that it cannot deliver unsafe water if a component fails?

Yes No Is the system designed around standard sized components?

(Important if you want to upgrade your existing system as technology changes.)

Yes No Will the system dispense as much water as needed at any one time?

(Important if you don't want to run out of treated water for cooking, washing vegetables, boiling pasta, etc. as well as drinking purposes)

Yes No Is the system durable?

Yes No Does the system waste large amounts of water?

Yes No Is the system easy to install?

(Can the average homeowner install the system without hiring a plumber?)

Yes No Is the system reasonably easy to maintain?

(Are replacement components easy to obtain and convenient to replace?)

Yes No Is the system reasonably inexpensive to buy?

(Beware of companies that use outside salespeople or multi-level marketing. They must charge high prices to pay for high commissions and marketing costs. Not only is their equipment overpriced, it is often of mediocre quality – in spite of their aggressive marketing hype. Also avoid cheap systems containing carbon that mount on the end of your faucet or the increasingly popular pitcher-style filtration devices. They may help the water taste better but they can't make it safe.)

Yes No Is the system reasonably inexpensive to maintain and operate?