

CUMBERLAND COUNTY SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

2021 Soil Lead Screening

Free soil lead screening is available to Cumberland County residents. Bring your samples (up to 3) to one of five drop-off points. Samples collected will be mailed to the EPA lab for a free lead screening. All results will be analyzed anonymously and individual information will not be visible to the public. Results will be returned with recommendations based on individual results.

Sample Drop-Off Points

Portland

- May 22nd, 2021 7-1pm @ Portland Farmer's Market in Payson Park
 - Catafalque Dr, Portland, ME 04103
- May 23rd, 2021 1-2pm @ Libbytown Community Garden
 175 Douglass St, Portland, ME 04102
- May 25th, 2021 4-6pm @ Libbytown Community Garden
 175 Douglass St, Portland, ME 04102
- May 27th, 2021 4-6pm @ Valley Street Community Garden
 138 Valley St, Portland, ME 04102

Windham

- May 14th-28th during office hours (M-F 8-4pm) @ Cumberland County Soil & Water Conservation District
 - o 35 Main St, Windham, ME 04062

Instructions

- 1. **Collect your soil sample.** We recommend collecting several locations from an area (garden, playground, lawn, etc) and mixing them together to get an average of the area for your final sample. *We ask that if you are sampling a residential property to please limit your sample areas to 3 per property.*
- 2. **Bag your soil.** You only need about a $\frac{1}{2}$ -1 cup of soil for your sample.
- 3. **Complete the form.** Complete the sample form at home or at the dropoff point. Fully completing the form helps us provide you with more specific information when you get your results back. *All results will be analyzed anonymously and individual information will not be visible to the public.*



4. **Add Sample ID labels.** ID labels will be assigned at the Drop-Off points. The samples on your form and sample bag *must* match to receive your results. Each sample must have its own ID number (if you bring 3 samples, you will have 3 unique ID numbers).

Samples received without a Sample ID and a <u>complete</u> form will be discarded.

Name______ Address______Town______State____

Contact Information (email and/or phone number)___

Disclaimer: Personal information will not be connected to samples sent to the lab. Only your soil and sample ID number will be seen at the lab. CCSWCD will receive the results directly from the lab and will use the sample ID to send you your results. Data collected in the sampling will be used by CCSWCD to evaluate the extent to which lead contaminated soil is an environmental health issue in Cumberland County. Soil data may be compiled into a heat map to visualize the distribution of soil lead, but **results for individual locations will not be visible to the public.**

Sample 1	ID NUMBER (use pre-printed labels to assign at sample drop-off location)		
□ Sample taken from edible garden □ Children under 6 use this space □ Sample within 6' of building			
Site Description. If you yard.	collected more than one sample, please describe where this sample was collected from in your		

Sample 2	ID NUMBER (use pre-printed labels to assign at sample drop-off location)					
□ Sample taken from edible garden □ Children under 6 use this space □ Sample within 6' of building						
Site Description. If you collected more than one sample, please describe where this sample was collected from in your yard.						

Sample 3	ID NUMBER (use pre-printed labels to assign at sample drop-off location)				
Sample taken from edible garden		Children under 6 use this space	Sample within 6' of building		
Site Description. If you collected more than one sample, please describe where this sample was collected from in your yard.					