

How Do I Know If My House Has a Lead Service Line?

Please Follow These Steps and Submit Your Results to the City



Materials Needed for Testing: Strong Magnet, a Coin, and Flathead Screwdriver

- Locate your meter box.** Typically, the meter box will be located in the grass outside your building. Inside the meter box, you will see a water meter with an arrow that indicates water flow direction. The testing location will be located on the customer side of the water meter, as shown in Figure 1. This is often the pipe closest to the building.
- Scratch Test:** Scratch the outer surface of the pipe with a coin or flathead screwdriver. Be very careful not to puncture a hole in the pipe and do not use sharp objects for this test.
- Magnet Test:** Place a magnet on the pipe to check if it sticks to the pipe.
- Tapping Test:** Tap the pipe with a coin and listen to the sound it makes.
- Compare the results of your test with the guidelines shown below.** Submit your results to the questionnaire found on the City of Weatherford Website:
<https://weatherfordtx.gov/3543/Lead-Copper-Rule>

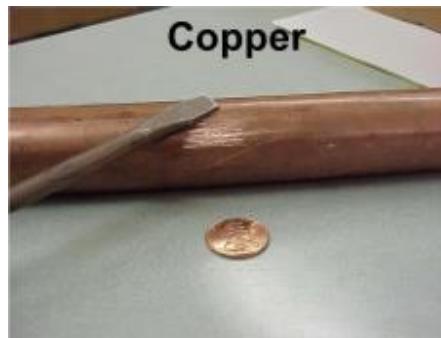


Figure 1: Typical Meter Box

Material Identification Guidelines:



Lead



Copper



Galvanized Steel

Your Service Line is **Lead** if:

Scratch Test: The scratched area is shiny and silver.

Magnet Test: The magnet does not stick.

Tapping Test: You hear a dull noise while tapping the coin.

Your Service Line is **Copper** if:

Scratch Test: The scratched area is copper in color like a penny.

Magnet Test: The magnet does not stick.

Tapping Test: You hear a metallic ringing noise while tapping the coin.

Your Service Line is **Galvanized Steel** if:

Scratch Test: The scratched area remains a dull gray.

Magnet Test: The magnet sticks.

Tapping Test: You hear a metallic ringing noise while tapping the coin.