

#### Insights

# PFAS STATE SNAPSHOT: CONNECTICUT PFAS REGULATION

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Connecticut is one of several states that has started regulating per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances ("PFAS") in drinking water. This client alert reflects the status of PFAS regulations in Connecticut as of February 21, 2020.



#### DRINKING WATER

PFAS compounds are considered "emerging contaminants," and not hazardous substances.

From 2013 to 2015, 29 large public water systems serving people at 129 locations tested for six PFAS compounds. None had detectable levels, especially of PFOA and PFOS (the two compounds in the EPA Health Advisory level). State officials are debating whether Connecticut should conduct PFAS testing at certain drinking water sources, including both public and private wells.

#### PFAS ACTION PLAN

Released by Governor Lamont on November 1, 2019, the Plan discusses ways to minimize PFAS exposure to the community, largely through drinking water testing; assessing food-related PFAS exposure pathways; minimizing occupational and environmental exposure to PFAS; preventing releases of PFAS-containing firefighting foam; identifying other significant sources of PFAS contamination; and enhancing education, outreach, and communication on PFAS. The Plan does not impose any limitations on industries, Consumer Products, or food manufacturers.

For additional information regarding Connecticut's PFAS regulations and sampling information, please see <a href="https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/Departments-and-">https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/Departments-and-</a>

Agencies/DPH/dph/environmental\_health/eoha/Toxicology\_Risk\_Assessment/2018uploads/Perfluoroalkyl-Substances-PFASs-in-DWHealth-Concerns.pdf?la=en. The Connecticut PFAS Action Plan can be found at: https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/Office-of-the-Governor/News/20191101-CT-Interagency-PFAS-Task-Force-Action-Plan.pdf?la=en

For more information on PFAS chemicals, and the regulatory and litigation risks that they pose, please visit our PFAS webpage. If you have a question about how to manage PFAS risk in Connecticut, or any other jurisdiction, please contact Tom Lee, Susan Brice, John Kindschuh, or any other member of our PFAS team at Bryan Cave Leighton Paisner LLP.

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