



# Drinking Water Quality Management System

## What is the Drinking Water Quality System?

It is now required, under the Ministry of the Environment's Municipal Drinking Water Licensing Program, that municipalities implement a drinking water quality management system.

The Drinking Water Quality Management Standard is a management standard that has been developed specifically for drinking water and is now mandated through the Safe Drinking Water Act.

## What is a quality management system?

A quality management system describes what the Township of Severn must do to conform to specified requirements by establishing policies and objectives.

The focus is on proactive / preventative control that will reduce operational variation, increase awareness and promote continual improvement within our drinking water systems.

The Township of Severn owns and operates the Bass Lake Woodlands, Coldwater, Sandcastle Estates, Severn Estates, Washago and West Shore Water Treatment Plants and Distribution Systems.

### **The Township of Severn is committed to:**

- the provision of safe drinking water to all its customers
- complying with relevant legislation and regulations
- continual improvement of the QMS and the water works

To meet these commitments, the Township of Severn has established and will continue to maintain a Drinking Water Quality Management System that will be regularly reviewed, improved and upgraded by management and employees involved in the supply of drinking water.

The Drinking Water Quality Management System has been implemented by the Township of Severn to effectively minimize and manage any potential risks to drinking water quality and safety.