

WATER HARDNESS POLLUTION Classification Table

TREATED WATER	—0 to 1.0 grains per gallon
SLIGHTLY POLLUTED WATER	—1 to 3½ grains per gallon
MEDIUM POLLUTED WATER	—3½ to 7 grains per gallon
POLLUTED WATER	—7 to 10½ grains per gallon
VERY POLLUTED WATER	—Over 10½ grains per gallon

Adapted from United States Department of Interior Hardness Classification Table. The word "polluted", above, refers to natural hardness pollution, not to toxic pollution.

Recommended Iron Limits 0.3 parts per million—

To prevent objectionable taste or laundry staining

Excerpt from Public Health Service Drinking Water Standards 1964:

"Whereas the U.S. Public Health Service 1964 Drinking Water Standard set a limit of 0.3 mg/l for iron and manganese combined, it is recommended that a limit be established for each and that the concentration of iron be limited to 0.3 mg/l."

Note: 1 mg/l generally considered equal to 1 ppm.