

US EPA approvals under the Safe Drinking Water Act correlated with SM edition numbers

The US EPA, under the Safe Drinking Water Act, lists methods that can be used to evaluate specific analytes. The EPA provides the method number and the approval year. Although the US EPA approves only one method, states may provide the option to laboratories to use prior methods.

To locate the edition in which a specific method appears, find the relevant method number in the left column and read across to locate the version noted by the EPA. Some versions appear in more than one edition of *Standard Methods*.

Standard Method	SM 20 th Edition (1999)	SM 21 st Edition (2005)	SM 22 nd Edition (2012)	SM 23 rd Edition (2017)
9215A	9215-94	9215-00	9215-04	9215-16
9215B	9215-94	9215-00	9215-04	9215-16
9215C	9215-94	9215-00	9215-04	9215-16
9215D	9215-94	9215-00	9215-04	9215-16
9215E	N/A	N/A	9215-04	9215-16
9221A	9221-94	9221-99	9221-06	9221-14
9221B	9221-94	9221-99	9221-06	9221-14
9221C	9221-94	9221-99	9221-06	9221-14
9221D	9221-94	9221-99	9221-06	9221-14
9221E	9221-94	9221-99	9221-06	9221-14
9221F	“proposed”	9221-01	9221-06	9221-14
9221G	N/A	N/A	9221-06	9221-14
9222A	9222-97	9222-97	9222-06	9222-15
9222B	9222-97	9222-97	9222-06	9222-15
9222C	9222-97	9222-97	9222-06	9222-15
9222D	9222-97	9222-97	9222-06	9222-15
9222E	9222-97	9222-97	9222-06	9222-15
9222F	9222-97	9222-97	9222-06	9222-15
9222G	9222-97	9222-97	9222-06	9222-15
9222H	N/A	N/A	“proposed”	9222-15
9222I	N/A	N/A	“proposed”	9222-15
9223A	9223-97	9223-97	9223-04	9223-16
9223B	9223-97	9223-97	9223-04	9223-16
9230A	9230-93	9230-93	9230-07	9230-13
9230B	9230-93	9230-93	9230-07	9230-13

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9230C	9230-93	9230-93	9230-07	9230-13
9230D	N/A	N/A	9230-07	9230-13

Note: At times the EPA may approve a method that has not yet been published in print format but has been approved by the Standard Methods Committee and is available online.

Publication dates of *Standard Methods* editions:

SM 18th edition = 1992

SM 19th edition = 1995

SM 20th edition = 1999

SM 21st edition = 2005

SM 22nd edition = 2012

SM 23rd edition = 2017

SM Online methods = see web site for latest available version

SDWA approval information from:

40 CFR 141 (as of 15 September 2022)

For other approvals not listed above see:

<https://www.epa.gov/dwanalyticalmethods/approved-drinking-water-analytical-methods>