### Drinking water has to be boiled in parts of Bad Salzuflen

For the time being, there is a decree on boiling tapped water in certain areas of Bad Salzuflen. Due to heavy rain, bacteria got into the tapped water in parts of Bad Salzuflen. A recent analysis discovered germs in there.

In the following areas of Bad Salzuflen the tapped water must be boiled:

Gesamtes Stadtgebiet Bad Salzuflen.

Be sure to follow the health department's instructions below. The requirement of boiling currently applies to the use of tapped water.

If you live in the border area to the areas of Bad Salzuflen mentioned above we also recommend to boil tapped water before use.

### The requirement of boiling applies to the following purposes of use:

- drinking tapped water
- preparing food
- brushing teeth
- using the water to clean open wounds (please only use bottled water or boiled water in this case. Let the water cool down for about ten minutes before use.)

### You can use tapped water as usual for:

- personal hygiene
- washing your hands
- having a shower
- having a bath

Avoid swallowing tapped water. Please avoid contact of tapped water with open wounds. Please use bottled or boiled water to treat open wounds (as seen above).

## Frequently asked questions:

- For the duration of the boiling requirement, coffee machines can be used to make hot drinks if heating to at least 82°C is granted.
- For the duration of the use restriction, boiled water must be used to make cold drinks and ice cubes.

- The water can be used for washing clothes, the washing temperature should be at least 40°C.
- Dishes from the dishwasher are harmless as long as the mashine washes and dries at temperatures above 60°C.

### Additional chlorination of drinking water

By order of the health department of the district of Lippe, chlorine is temporarily added to the drinking water as an additive for disinfection within the permissible limits of the drinking water ordinance.

- There may be slight changes in smell and taste.
- There are no health concerns.

# **Contact for questions**

If you have any questions, please contact Stadtwerke Bad Salzuflen via telephone 05222 8080.

We will inform you as soon as the tapped water is safe again and is no longer additionally disinfected. Please also pass this information on to your roommates and neighbours.