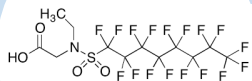


# NEtFOSAA

(N-Ethyl Perfluorooctane sulfonamidaacetic acid)



## What is NEtFOSAA?

**NEtFOSAA is a chemical in a group of contaminants called per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS).**

- ▶ NEtFOSAA is one of several PFAS that can turn into perfluorooctane sulfonate (PFOS) in the body and environment.
- ▶ NEtFOSAA can be found in stain repellants in carpet and fabric, food and other packaging, and fire-fighting foam.

If the combined level of FOSA, NEtFOSA, NEtFOSE, NEtFOSAA, PFOS, and PFOA in your drinking water is over 20 ng/L, you should find a different source of water.

## Can NEtFOSAA affect our health?

**NEtFOSAA can turn into PFOS in the body and PFOS can cause health effects.**

- ▶ There is little information on how NEtFOSAA may affect health, but many studies have shown that PFOS can cause health effects.
- ▶ Studies among people and research animals have shown that high levels of PFOS may affect reproduction, development, cholesterol levels, liver and thyroid function, and immune response.

## What can you do to protect your health?

**Wisconsin recommends a groundwater standard of 20 ng/L for NEtFOSAA, FOSA, NEtFOSA, NEtFOSE, PFOS, and PFOA combined.** Because NEtFOSAA and similar PFAS can turn into PFOS, one number is used for all of them to protect health.

Find a different source of drinking water if the level of these PFAS in your water is over 20 nanograms per liter (ng/L). Sources of water can include:

- ▶ Water from a public water system or private well that has been tested for PFAS and has levels below Wisconsin's recommended groundwater standards.
- ▶ Bottled water that has been tested for PFAS and has levels below the recommended groundwater standards.

ng/L = nanograms per liter equivalent to parts per trillion (ppt)



## Looking for more information?

- ▶ See the [Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry website](#) for more information on health effects.
- ▶ Visit the [DHS website](#) for more information on Wisconsin's recommended groundwater standards.

