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To Chlorine Shock a Well

Tools needed:

1 x White 5 gallon bucket

1 x garden hose long enough to reach the well from outside tap

1 x Allen keys or small crescent wrench to undo well cap

1 x hammer and wooden block to tap off the well cap

You need the product called 12% Bleach

Read these instructions completely before starting the procedure.

Any water treatment devices and filters should be bypassed. Water filter elements are to be removed as they will plug up during flushing procedure.

Use approximately 1 Gallon of product. Use caution to not breathe the fumes or spill any on your clothes. Pour the Bleach down the well and follow with water to rinse off the well components exposed above the water line. Put the garden hose (still running) down the well and let it run for 60 minutes.

Note utilize the 5-gallon pail for noticing smell and clarity of the water. A white bucket is the easiest to use.

Pull the hose from the well and allow it to run into the bush or into a not much used area of the yard.

After 45 minutes the chlorine smell should be dissipating or gone. It may take up to 1.5 hours to clear up completely. Take note of the color of the water at this time, if still discolored you may have to re-chlorinate in the near future. You can use your white bucket on this procedure also

Once you achieve clear water turn well pump off and open the closest tap to the pressure tank and drain it completely, then close tap. Turn pump on for 2 min and drain again, or until the water from the pressure tank runs clear at the last few gallons while it is purging itself.

Note you may have to turn the pump off several times to achieve clean water from the pressure tank. Once this is done you can go to each tap in the home (remove screens if possible) and flush until you do not smell chlorine.

Remember to replace filter element and turn all water treatment devices back on after completing flush to system.