

HOW TO USE THIS MANUAL

This manual is intended to help users find appropriate protocols that can be used for water quality sampling in Canada. It includes new technologies and methods such as microbial source tracking and continuous water quality monitoring, along with other established methods. The manual covers all aspects of physical, chemical and biological sampling for a variety of aquatic habitats (lakes, rivers, streams, wetlands) and biota (fish, benthos, plankton, etc).

Modifications to jurisdiction specified sampling procedures/protocols should be approved by that jurisdiction before any sampling program is undertaken. Original protocols referenced through out this manual should be consulted in order to obtain more detailed information.