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UNDERSTANDING DRINKING WATER QUALITY

1. What are the three primary sources of drinking water in Australia?

Surface water, groundwater, desalinated water.

2. Which national body sets the Australian Drinking Water Guidelines?

The National Health and Medical Research Council (NHMRC) sets the Australian Drinking Water Guidelines

3. What are filters with smaller micron ratings capable of removing from water?

Organic compounds, chlorine taste, and odour.

4. Which contaminants are effectively removed by activated carbon?

Activated carbon filters are effective at removing chlorine, taste and odour compounds, and some organic chemicals.

5. What are PFAS and why are they a concern when found in drinking water?

Also known as "forever chemicals", PFAS persist in the environment and may pose long-term health risks if consumed.

6. Which certifications should specifiers look for to ensure a water filter performs as claimed?

NSF Standards and WaterMark.