

# M Street Beach, South Boston: Bacterial Water Quality 2015

Bacteria monitoring is conducted by the Massachusetts Dept. of Conservation and Recreation (DCR) during the swimming season. Bacteria samples are collected at one location along the beach, and test results are available 24 hours later. High bacteria triggers a swimming advisory and repeated sampling until bacteria meet limits.

Displayed are *Enterococcus* bacteria counts, with high counts in red. The maximum daily limit is **104** counts/100 mL.

A swimming advisory is declared by the DCR for the following day if:

- counts exceed 104 counts/100 mL limit;
- OR if the 5-day running geometric mean exceeds 35 counts/100 mL (geometric mean of the previous 5 days' samples).

Daily rainfall totals from Logan Airport, National Weather Service raingauge

All results are in counts/100 mL and testing is performed by DCR.

**Weekly sampling by DCR began May 21, 2015, and ended September 6, 2015.**

	Daily Rainfall (in.)	M Street
May 21, 2015	0	<2
May 28, 2015	Trace	<2
June 4, 2015	0	2
June 11, 2015	0	2
June 18, 2015	0	<2
June 25, 2015	0	<2
July 2, 2015	0	2
July 9, 2015	0.15	<2
July 16, 2015	0	2
July 23, 2015	0	<2
July 30, 2015	0.02	2
August 6, 2015	0	4
August 13, 2015	0	8
August 20, 2015	0	10
August 27, 2015	0	6
September 3, 2015	0.01	12