

HISTORIES OF GUIDELINE DEVELOPMENT FOR THE FOURTH EDITION

12. Chemical fact sheets

12.1 Chemical contaminants in drinking-water

Brominated acetic acids

History of guideline development

The 1958, 1963 and 1971 WHO *International Standards for Drinking-water* did not refer to brominated acetic acids. Brominated acetic acids were not evaluated in the first edition of the *Guidelines for Drinking-water Quality*, published in 1984, in the second edition, published in 1993, or in the addendum to the second edition, published in 1998. Brominated acetic acids were evaluated in the third edition of the Guidelines, published in 2004, and it was concluded that the available data were inadequate to establish guideline values for these chemicals. This assessment was brought forward to the fourth edition of the Guidelines, published in 2011.