



Train Derailment in East Palestine, Ohio

Information and Resources

On February 3, 2023, at approximately 9:30 p.m., a Norfolk Southern train had 53 cars derail in East Palestine, Ohio. The site of the derailment is less than one mile from the Pennsylvania (PA) border. Five of the train cars contained vinyl chloride, a known hazardous material. Additional cars contained other chemicals of concern. The [Train Derailment Dashboard \(https://www.pema.pa.gov/derailment\)](https://www.pema.pa.gov/derailment) makes available the various sources of information and resources for those affected by the derailment. Below are some of the resources you will find.



Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) regarding testing and the safety of the area

- The FAQs are updated by the PA Departments of Health (PA DOH), Environmental Protection, and Agriculture and available on Train Derailment Dashboard <https://www.pema.pa.gov/derailment>, in the sidebar, under the title “Here for You”.



Timeline of events and next steps for Pennsylvania

- A summary of the events that transpired and how Pennsylvania Governor Shapiro will keep those affected informed can be found at: <https://www.pema.pa.gov/derailment>.



Available Air and Water Testing

- The Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) is conducting independent air and water quality monitoring. *If you are within two miles of the incident*, contact DEP’s Southwest Regional Office for assistance with air and water testing at (412) 442-4000.
- Toxicologists contracted by Norfolk Southern for testing & sampling are offering in-home testing and monitoring for those within the 1-mile evacuation zone only: Phone: (330) 849-3919



Air and Water Testing Results

- The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has been conducting air and water quality monitoring since the controlled vent and burn on February 6th. To view their results and for more information on the EPA’s response, visit their [Emergency Response website: \(https://www.epa.gov/oh/east-palestine-ohio-train-derailment-emergency-response\)](https://www.epa.gov/oh/east-palestine-ohio-train-derailment-emergency-response).

- For questions, call the EPA Information Line: (215) 814-2400
This EPA phone line is experiencing high call volume. If you are unable to get through to an operator, please leave a message. Staffed 8 a.m. – 8 p.m. (Eastern Time).
- Toxicologists contracted by Norfolk Southern, CTEH, can provide answers to questions specific to smell, health, animals, houses, etc.: (234) 542-6474, 10 a.m. – 10 p.m.



Health Assessments and Concerns for Those within the Affected Area of the Derailment

- The Ohio Department of Health, in partnership with the Columbiana Ohio County Health Department and with support from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, has made available a clinic for residents of Darlington and Unity Townships in Beaver County, PA. The clinic is located at the First Church of Christ, 20 W. Martin St., East Palestine, OH. Community members can schedule appointments by calling: (234) 564-7755 or (234) 564-7888.



Resources Provided by Norfolk Southern

Norfolk Southern is aiding residents in both Pennsylvania and Ohio.

- Norfolk Southern Assistance Center
Phone: 1-800-230-7049
Email: media.relations@nscorp.com
- Download a Claim to Norfolk Southern: <http://nscorp.mediaroom.com/claim-forms> and submit the claim form to: media.relations@nscorp.com.
- Media and Press Releases Issued by Norfolk Southern: <https://nsmakingitright.com/>
- Family Assistance Center by Norfolk Southern
Abundant Life Church, 46469 State Route 46, New Waterford, OH
Sunday: 10 a.m. -- 4 p.m.
Monday through Saturday: 10 a.m. -- 8 p.m.



Investigation information

- For the latest on the National Transportation Safety Board's ongoing investigation, view their updates online at <https://www.ntsb.gov/investigations/Pages/RRD23MR005.aspx>.