

Flushing Instructions

The office of the Water Resources Commissioner (WRC) would like to inform you that work was recently performed in your area and your water service line may need flushing.

Please follow the instructions below to remove any particles that may have broken loose inside your pipes and to maintain the quality of the water in your home:

- 1.** Open the outdoor water faucet closest to your water meter. Allow it to run for approximately 5 minutes.
 - a.** If there is no outside faucet, begin at the interior faucet closest to your water meter after removing the aerator (the little screen that is screwed onto the end of each faucet).
 - b.** If you cannot remove some faucet aerators, flush the faucets where you can first.
- 2.** Repeat this same process on all faucets inside your home using the cold tap only. Begin with the faucets at the lowest level of the home.
- 3.** Continue with the cold water faucets at the lowest level of your home and one-by-one, systematically fully open the faucets throughout your home.
- 4.** Allow the cold water to run for at least 5 minutes from each faucet. Don't forget to include your bathtubs and showers.
- 5.** Turn off each faucet beginning with those located at the highest level of your home.
- 6.** Clean and reinstall all faucet aerators.

During this process:

- Do not drink the water during this process. This flushing process is meant to stir up sediment in your pipes to rinse it out. After this process is completed, you may use your water as usual.
- Do not use hot water or open any hot water faucets.
- Do not use an ice maker or a filtered water dispenser until the flushing process is complete.