

WHAT TO DO TO PREPARE FOR FLUSHING IN YOUR COMMUNITY

- Draw water for cooking ahead of time.
- Store a large bottle of water in the refrigerator for drinking.
- Check for discolored water before using the washing machine or dishwasher.

Note: If your laundry becomes stained, DO NOT USE BLEACH AND DO NOT PUT YOUR LAUNDRY IN THE DRYER. Rewash clothes immediately using more detergent or a heavy duty detergent and add a rust remover. Most rust removers can also be used on stained fixtures.



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FLUSHING IS AN ESSENTIAL PART OF OUR ANNUAL SYSTEM MAINTENANCE PROGRAM

Each year, New York American Water flushes the pipes in its water distribution system. This is an essential part of our system maintenance program, which helps us to continue to provide you with high-quality water service. Although we've been carrying out this essential maintenance program for decades, we do receive questions from time to time about why we flush. Because the program is an important benefit to our customers, we'd like to tell you about it.

WHY FLUSHING IS IMPORTANT

Flushing our system helps to clean out any build up of mineral deposits and sediment inside the pipes. These harmless deposits can occur when there is a reduced water demand. We also flush our hydrants to make sure they are operational and to check fire flows in our system.

HOW WE FLUSH OUR PIPELINES

Flushing involves simultaneously opening fire hydrants in a specific area to create increased water flows. When crews are in your area, you may notice a drop in water pressure or discolored water. Discolored water may occur, because the sediment in water mains get stirred up when the fire hydrants are used and when the flow of water in mains is changed. This is normal. If this happens, it is not harmful. Simply let your water run until it is clear.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Weather permitting, flushing will take place September through November. For updates, visit www.newyorkamwater.com or like us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/nyamwater.

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2020 FALL FLUSHING SCHEDULE

Flushing hours: Monday-Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

NOTE: No flushing will be conducted in observance of Sukkot (Oct. 2–Oct. 9), Columbus Day (Oct. 12), and Veterans Day (Nov. 11)

COMMUNITY	START DATE	END DATE
Atlantic Beach	10/26/2020	10/30/2020
Baldwin	9/28/2020	10/2/2020
Baldwin Harbor	9/28/2020	10/2/2020
Bay Park	11/2/2020	11/6/2020
Bellmore	10/26/2020	10/30/2020
Cedarhurst	10/26/2020	11/6/2020
East Atlantic Beach	10/26/2020	10/30/2020
East Rockaway	11/2/2020	11/6/2020
Glen Head	10/19/2020	10/23/2020
Glenwood Landing	10/26/2020	10/30/2020
Hewlett	11/9/2020	11/20/2020
Hewlett Bay Park	11/9/2020	11/20/2020
Hewlett Harbor	11/9/2020	11/20/2020
Hewlett Neck	11/9/2020	11/20/2020
Inwood	10/26/2020	11/6/2020
Island Park	11/9/2020	11/20/2020
Lakeview	11/2/2020	11/6/2020
Lawrence	10/26/2020	11/6/2020
Levittown	11/2/2020	11/6/2020
Lynbrook	9/28/2020	10/2/2020
Malverne	9/28/2020	10/2/2020
Massapequa	11/16/2020	11/20/2020
Meadowmere	10/26/2020	11/6/2020
Merrick	10/13/2020	10/16/2020
Mill Neck	10/15/2020	10/15/2020
North Bellmore	10/19/2020	10/23/2020
North Merrick	9/28/2020	10/1/2020
North Seaford	11/2/2020	11/6/2020
North Wantagh	11/2/2020	11/6/2020
North Woodmere	10/13/2020	10/23/2020
Oceanside	10/13/2020	10/23/2020
Roosevelt	9/28/2020	10/2/2020
Roslyn Harbor	10/23/2020	10/26/2020
Sea Cliff	11/2/2020	11/6/2020
Seaford/South Seaford	11/9/2020	11/13/2020
South Bellmore	10/26/2020	10/30/2020
South Hempstead	9/28/2020	10/2/2020
South Merrick	10/13/2020	10/16/2020
South Wantagh	11/9/2020	11/13/2020
Valley Stream	10/13/2020	10/23/2020
Wantagh	11/9/2020	11/13/2020
West Hempstead	11/2/2020	11/6/2020
Woodmere	10/13/2020	10/23/2020
Woodsburgh	10/13/2020	10/23/2020

