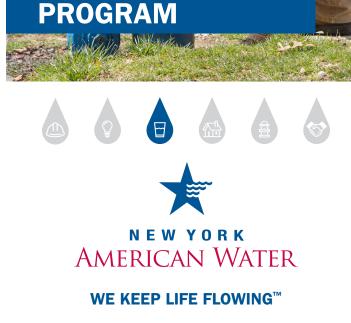## WHAT TO DO TO PREPARE FOR FLUSHING IN YOUR COMMUNITY

- 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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2021 FLUSHING PROGRAM

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FLUSHING IS AN ESSENTIAL PART OF OUR ANNUAL SYSTEM MAINTENANCE PROGRAM

Each spring, 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 April through June. For updates, visit **newyorkamwater.com** or like us on Facebook at **www.facebook.com/nyamwater**.

2021 SPRING FLUSHING SCHEDULE

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

NOTE: In observance of Shavuot and Memorial Day, no flushing will be conducted May 16 through May 18; or May 31.

COMMUNITY	START DATE	END DATE
Atlantic Beach	5/10/2021	5/14/2021
Baldwin	4/5/2021	4/9/2021
Baldwin Harbor	4/5/2021	4/9/2021
Bay Park	5/19/2021	5/21/2021
Bellmore	4/26/2021	4/29/2021
Cedarhurst	5/3/2021	5/7/2021
East Atlantic Beach	5/10/2021	5/14/2021
East Rockaway	5/19/2021	5/21/2021
Glen Head	5/3/2021	5/7/2021
Glenwood Landing	5/10/2021	5/14/2021
Hewlett	4/19/2021	4/23/2021
Hewlett Bay Park	4/19/2021	4/23/2021
Hewlett Harbor	4/19/2021	4/23/2021
Hewlett Neck	4/19/2021	4/23/2021
Inwood	5/3/2021	5/7/2021
Island Park	6/1/2021	6/4/2021
Lakeview	4/12/2021	4/16/2021
Lawrence	5/3/2021	5/7/2021
Levittown	5/3/2021	5/7/2021
Lynbrook	5/24/2021	5/28/2021
Malverne	6/1/2021	6/4/2021
Massapequa	5/19/2021	5/21/2021
Meadowmere	5/3/2021	5/7/2021
Merrick	4/12/2021	4/16/2021
Mill Neck	4/29/2021	4/29/2021
North Bellmore	4/19/2021	4/23/2021
North Merrick	4/5/2021	4/9/2021
North Seaford	5/3/2021	5/7/2021
North Wantagh	5/3/2021	5/7/2021
North Woodmere	4/26/2021	4/30/2021
Oceanside	6/1/2021	6/4/2021
Roosevelt	4/5/2021	4/9/2021
Roslyn Harbor	5/19/2021	5/21/2021
Sea Cliff	5/19/2021	5/21/2021
Seaford/South Seaford	5/10/2021	5/14/2021
South Bellmore	4/26/2021	4/29/2021
South Hempstead	4/12/2021	4/16/2021
South Merrick	4/12/2021	4/16/2021
South Wantagh	5/10/2021	5/14/2021
Valley Stream	5/24/2021	5/28/2021
Wantagh	5/10/2021	5/14/2021
West Hempstead	4/12/2021	4/16/2021
Woodmere	4/26/2021	4/30/2021
Woodsburgh	4/26/2021	4/30/2021