

Flushing Instructions Immediately After Replacement



Follow these steps for a full flush of your indoor plumbing for 15-30 minutes, immediately after replacement. The contractor will flush your water line at an outside spigot, but you will also need to flush your indoor plumbing.



1 Locate Faucets

Locate all faucets that will drain including laundry tubs, hose-bibs, bathtubs, and showers.

2 Remove Screens

Remove all aerators or screens from all faucets and clean debris with vinegar solution if necessary.

3 Turn on Water - Lower

Turn on cold-water faucets in the basement or lower floor. *Leave all faucets running at the highest rate the drain will allow.*



4 Turn on Water - Higher

Turn on cold-water faucets on the next highest floor. Continue until all faucets are running on all floors.

5 Remember the Order

Record the order in which the faucets were turned on.

6 Run Water for 15-30 min.

Leave water running for at least *15 minutes*. However, best practices suggest leaving water running for at least 30 minutes.



7 Turn Off Water in Order

Turn off the faucets in the same order they were turned on in Step 5.

8 Replace Screens

Reattach cleaned aerators and screens. *You may need to replace the aerators or screens if they are too old or worn.*

If you have any additional questions, please reach out to us by calling (901) 544-6549 or email leadreplacement@mlgw.org.