

SPRING FLUSHING

Each year our distribution team makes their way through to each of our water systems to flush the pipes, ensuring our water remains clean and safe to drink.

The flushing process involves attaching hoses or other drain attachments to hydrants located in the water system. Once attached to the hydrants, water is pumped out and flows onto the roadways. This process allows for mineral buildup, sediment, and other natural microorganisms in the pipes to be removed.

It is important we flush the pipes in our water systems to ensure longevity. If pipes are not flushed each year, over time, minerals and rust can begin to cause them to deteriorate which can cause discolored water and reduce efficiency. Think of it like brushing your teeth—just as brushing prevents decay, flushing helps prevent buildup in our pipes by pushing water through them.

When flushing occurs in your area, it is best to avoid doing laundry and refrain from washing dishes. After your scheduled flushing day is over, run cold water to allow colored water to clear if you notice it.

Depending on the system each of our customers are in they will receive either a postcard, email, phone call, or text notification alerting them of flushing happening in their area. For more information on the flushing process or to see when flushing is happening in your area visit our website www.pennichuck.com/general-information-for-our-water-customers/flushing-program/.

