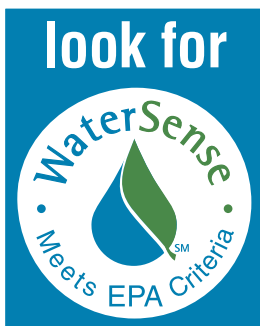


Want a More Water-Efficient Home?

WaterSense can help! WaterSense is a national program sponsored by the US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) that promotes water-efficient products, and Charleston Water System is now a partner in the program.

The WaterSense label offers you a simple way to make product choices that use less water—and perform as well or better than comparable products.

If you're planning to install a new toilet, faucet, or irrigation system, visit www.usepa.gov/watersense for a list of products that have earned the WaterSense label.



Project Profile: New Water Main to Serve Hollywood, Ravenel



This new water main along Old Jacksonboro Road is one of many projects included in Charleston Water System's Capital Improvement Program.

The 16-inch pipe will boost water pressure for customers in Hollywood and Ravenel.

To learn more about Charleston Water's capital improvements, visit www.charlestonwater.com.

Pay by Phone is Here!

Dial 727-6800 and select option 1 to use our new automated payment system. It's available 24 hours a day and you can pay your bill in seconds with your Visa or Master Card.

You can also pay your bill online at www.charlestonwater.com.



Need a Speaker? Call Us!

Is your class or community group interested in learning about drinking water treatment, conservation, careers in the water industry, or a related topic?

If so, contact us by e-mail at info@charlestoncpw.com or call 843-727-6856 and we'll provide a knowledgeable speaker to fit the needs of your group.

WaterFACT:

Every day in the United States we drink an average of 110 million gallons of water.

Are You Prepared for a Storm?

We're in the height of hurricane season, so now is time to make sure you're ready for a storm. Here are some quick tips:

- Have a plan.
- Be sure to store at least a three-day supply of drinking water. A gallon per person per day is a good rule of thumb, and don't forget your furry friends.
- Have a battery operated radio.
- If you evacuate before a storm, turn off the water to your home at the main shut-off valve and switch off the electrical circuit breaker to your hot water heater.

If you live or work in Charleston County, register your work, home, or cell phone number to make sure you receive notification in the event of an emergency situation.

The county's new Alert program will call or text all registered phone numbers affected by an emergency.

To sign up, visit <http://alert.charlestoncounty.org> or submit a registration form at one of the county's service centers.



Water ? Why

Charleston has a plentiful water supply, so why should I conserve?

1. It's the responsible thing to do.
2. You'll save on your water and sewer bill.
3. Set a good example for kids.
4. Reduce load on wastewater treatment plants.
5. Preserve an important natural resource.

Bottled or Tap?

Worldwide, consumers spend more than \$100 billion annually on bottled water. But as more people look to save money and protect the environment, they're choosing tap water. Here are some facts to consider:

Charleston tap water...

- Undergoes more vigorous testing than bottled water.
- Is monitored in accordance with the US Environmental Protection Agency's quality standards.
- Contains fluoride for strong teeth
- Is environmentally friendly!

Bottled water...

- Is regulated by the US Food and Drug Administration (FDA).
- Many brands do not include fluoride for oral health.
- Adds waste to our landfills—an estimated 87% of plastic bottles end up in landfills.



Charleston tap water is highly treated and continually tested. And, it costs as little as a fraction of a penny per gallon! For more information about our tap water, visit www.charlestonwater.com.

“Water is life's matter and matrix, mother and medium. There is no life without water.”

—Albert Szent-Gyorgyi,
Nobel Prize Winner for
Medicine