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MIAMI-DADE COUNTY Newsletter
For Customers of the Miami-Dade Water and Sewer Department



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April is Water Conservation Month



April is considered the month for the height of dry season in South Florida and for that reason it has been designated as Water Conservation Month. This is the time when decreased rainfall and peak water demands puts stress on regional water supplies. There are several simple and common sense actions each of us can take that when added up throughout the year can make a tremendous difference on our limited water supply.

For instance, did you know that just by keeping the faucet on while you brush your teeth for approximately three minutes at a time, you are wasting 12 gallons of water? That represents 13,129 gallons per person, per year. Taking shorter showers and using high efficiency showerheads also will cut down on wasted water. Replacing old toilets with high-efficiency toilets also will dramatically cut down on each household's consumption.

Changing little habits is more than a drop in the bucket. Miami-Dade County residents have made some significant improvements in water consumption by taking advantage of the department's conservation tips and rebates. In just the last five years, Miami-Dade County residents have reduced their per capita water consumption from 158 gallons per day to 134 gallons per day.

WASD Releases Annual Water Quality Report

WASD released its 2016 Water Quality Report-also known as the Consumer Confidence Report (CCR). The CCR provides a snapshot of drinking water quality each year based on the prior year's testing results. WASD staff works 24-hours-a-day, year-round to ensure that high quality drinking water is available to its customers.

Every water utility in the United States is required by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to produce an annual CCR and make available to each of its billed customers by July 1st. To view the CCR, click [here](#).





Did you know...

That it takes 37 gallons of water to make one cup of coffee? If everyone in the world drank a cup of coffee each morning, it would “cost” about 32 trillion gallons of water a year.

It's The Law!

In Miami-Dade County, watering outdoors is not allowed from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily.

Residents and businesses with odd-numbered addresses can water on Wednesday and Saturdays. Those with even numbered addresses can water on Thursdays and Sundays.

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May 7-13, 2017 is Drinking Water Week

For more than 35 years, the American Water Works Association (AWWA) and its members have celebrated National Drinking Water Week, May 7-13 – a unique opportunity for both water professionals and the communities they serve to join together to recognize the vital role water plays in our daily lives. Having clean, safe reliable drinking water far exceeds filling a glass of water straight from the faucet.



The Miami-Dade Water and Sewer Department (WASD) also plays a role in ensuring the water used to drink, cook with and manufacture with is safe. WASD is proud of the water it delivers to the more than 2.3 million people each day in Miami-Dade County. The department is the largest utility in the Southeastern United States and ninth largest water utility in the nation. WASD tests its water more than 210,000 times annually and the County’s water meets or exceeds all local, state and federal requirements.

Lights, Camera, ACTION!

Get behind the camera lens and show your love of water!

Photographers and videographers of all ages are being asked to get behind the lens and capture an image that demonstrates the importance of water. WASD is hosting the second annual Drinking Water Week Photo Contest, as well as debuting the inaugural Value of Water PSA Video Contest.

Drinking Water Week Photo Contest

Miami-Dade County residents are encouraged to submit a high-resolution photo that demonstrates how water is essential to their daily lives. The photos may be sent to WASD’s social media accounts by April 21st. When submitting, please use hashtag #miamidadewater. The winning photo could be featured in the Miami-Dade Water and Sewer 2018 Drinking Water Week advertisements, as well as other departmental marketing campaigns! The winner will also receive a water conservation kit, which includes a rain barrel and water efficient shower heads. A second and third place winner will also be chosen. Second and third place winners will receive a water conservation kit and could be featured in departmental marketing campaigns.



Photos do not need to be of professional quality, and all ages are encouraged to enter. The winner will be announced during Drinking Water Week, on Monday, May 8th.



Value of Water PSA Video Contest

Miami-Dade County High School Students are eligible to participate in this contest by submitting a 20-30 second Public Service Announcement that demonstrates the Value of Water and how essential it is to daily life. The video must be entered by May 5th. The winning video will be aired in local movie theaters this summer, as well as on WASD’s website and social media accounts. For more information, [click here](#).