



## Water Efficient Appliance Rebates-General Rules and Information

### General Information

House Bill 06S-1023, which Governor Bill Owens signed into law on July 31, 2006, restricts who may receive public benefits in the State of Colorado. This law requires the procedure for the City of Brighton rebate applications for toilets and clothes washing machines.

Under the new law, anyone 18 years of age or older must prove lawful presence in the United States in order to receive non-emergency public benefits. This applies to City of Brighton rebates.

In order to prove lawful presence in the United States, you must produce one of the following forms of identification:

- A valid Colorado driver's license (includes only a current driver's license; minor driver's license, probationary driver's license, commercial driver's license, restricted driver's license, instruction permit or identification card);
- A valid Colorado identification card;
- A United States military card;
- A United States military dependent's identification card;
- A United States Coast Guard Merchant Mariner card;
- A Native American tribal document;

**Note:** The Colorado Department of Revenue will allow us to accept a driver's license from the District of Columbia or any of the following states (all states are not listed here; only those that verify lawful presence): Alabama, Arizona, California, Connecticut, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Idaho, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maine, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Nevada, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, South Dakota, Virginia, West Virginia, and Wyoming.

In addition, you must sign an affidavit either: (1) you are a United States citizen; or (2) you are a legal permanent resident of the United States; or (3) you are otherwise lawfully present in the United States pursuant to federal law. A blank affidavit is attached for your convenience.

Please bring a photocopy of your identification (in one of the forms listed above) and your signed affidavit along with the other rebate paperwork to:

**City of Brighton  
Utilities Department  
500 S. 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Brighton, CO 80601  
Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.-5 p.m.**

This information will remain confidential. The name on the identification must match the name of the Utility Billing account and rebate application.





## Toilet and Washing Machine Rebates Rules

- Applicants are not eligible to receive a rebate for the same item for 5 years.
- The replacement toilet or washing machine must be new and for use in a residence location within the City of Brighton water service area.
- Participants must be City of Brighton utility customers with current, non-delinquent accounts.
- Rebates are for owner occupied residences only. **Rental properties are ineligible.**
- Participants must provide proof of their lawful presence in the United States according to provision of Colorado Law (Immigration Law, HB 06S-1023).
- Incomplete applications, those without a copy of the purchase receipt(s) and required photographs, will be denied.
- Site may be subject to inspection by City of Brighton staff, which will be scheduled prior to rebate being issued to the account.
- Rebates are offered on a first-come, first-served basis and are subject to the availability of funds.

### Washing Machine Rebates

- Washing machine rebates are limited to **one** new machine per household. **Only washing machines on the Consortium for Energy Efficiency (CEE) list of Qualifying Clothes Washers are eligible for a rebate.** Leased clothes washers are not eligible for rebates.
- A photograph of the new, installed washing machine must accompany the rebate application.
- Both existing and newly built homes are eligible for the washing machine rebate.
- A rebate of \$125 will be credited to the customer's water/sewer billing account for the installation of a new, qualifying high efficiency washing machine. **Receipt must be submitted.**

### Toilet Rebates

- Toilet rebates are limited to **two** new fixtures per household. Starting in **2019**, only one toilet maximum per household will be eligible for a rebate.
- **Only toilets on the EPA WaterSense labeled product list are eligible for a rebate.**
- A rebate of \$100 will be credited to the utilities account for the first new toilet installed.
- The old toilet(s) must be broken after removal. A photograph of the old, broken toilet(s) must accompany the rebate application. Residents are responsible for the disposal of the old toilets. Toilets must be broken and disposed of by your solid waste service or at the landfill. The City of Brighton Code Enforcement will be notified of any improper disposal.
- New toilets must replace old fixtures that use 3.5 gallons or more per flush. New homes and new construction (addition of new bathrooms) are not eligible for the toilet rebate. **Receipt must be submitted.**



## Qualifying Rebate Products

### Toilets

As of 2017, Colorado became a WaterSense state. This means that manufacturers and retailers can only sell EPA WaterSense labeled products. The **EPA WaterSense** program is a voluntary partnership program that serves as both a label for water-efficient products and a resource for water conservation. Since becoming a WaterSense state, all toilets sold in Colorado are WaterSense labeled (with maximum a flow of 1.28 gallons per flush) and eligible for the rebate from the City of Brighton. If your toilet is purchased outside of Colorado, please refer to the **EPA WaterSense Product List** to ensure rebate eligibility: <https://www.epa.gov/watersense/product-search>.

### Washing Machines

**Only clothes washers on the Consortium for Energy Efficiency (CEE) list of Qualifying Clothes Washers are eligible for a rebate from the City of Brighton.** Please see the attached list of Qualifying Clothes Washers. This list may also help you choose a washing machine that meets your needs for water and energy savings.

The CEE rates various clothes washer models for energy and water efficiency and groups them into four tiers (1, 2, 3A and 3B). Compared to a standard clothes washer, clothes washers listed in Tier 1 reduce water use by 28% or more. Clothes washers listed in Tier 3B are the most water efficient, reducing water use by 58% or more. CEE's list is updated frequently, so please check for updates before purchasing your washing machine: <https://library.cee1.org/content/qualifying-product-lists-residential-clothes-washers>.

### Waiver of Warranty

The City of Brighton makes no representations or warranties regarding any make or model of approved appliances, including any warranties of merchantability, or fitness for a particular purpose or water efficiency. This rebate program is subject to change and/or discontinuation without notice. The City of Brighton reserves the right to inspect installation on the premises or request additional information or documentation as needed. The City of Brighton is not liable or responsible for any act or omission of any contractor whatsoever, nor is the City of Brighton responsible for the condition of the plumbing and electrical wiring on the homeowner's side of the meters now or in the future.

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