



General Rules for Toilet and Clothes Washing Machine Rebates (Revised October 2, 2006)

CHANGE IN 2006 CITY OF THORNTON REBATE REQUIREMENTS

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 a change in the procedure for the City of Thornton rebate applications for clothes washing machines, toilets, and the showerhead exchange program.

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 Thornton rebates. Although the new law went into effect August 1, 2006, it applies to rebate applications even if the device was purchased prior to that date.

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;

For other forms of identification accepted until March 1, 2007 please contact the Colorado Department of Revenue.

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, Arkansas, California, Connecticut, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Idaho, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maine, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Montana, 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 mail or bring a photocopy of your identification (in one of the forms listed above) and your signed affidavits along with the other rebate paperwork and photograph(s) to:

City of Thornton
Infrastructure Maintenance Center
12450 Washington Street
Thornton, CO

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

Please call the Water Resources Division at 720-977-6500 if you have any questions or concerns.

AFFIDAVIT OF LAWFUL PRESENCE IN THE U.S.

I, _____ (print name legibly), swear or affirm under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Colorado that (check one):

___ I am a United States citizen, or

___ I am a Permanent Resident of the United States, or

___ I am lawfully present in the United States pursuant to Federal law.

I understand that this sworn statement is required by law because I have applied for a public benefit. I understand that state law requires me to provide proof that I am lawfully present in the United States prior to receipt of this public benefit. I further acknowledge that making a false, fictitious, or fraudulent statement or representation in this sworn affidavit is punishable under the criminal laws of Colorado as perjury in the second degree under Colorado Revised Statute 18-8-503 and it shall constitute a separate criminal offense each time a public benefit is fraudulently received.

Signature

Date

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- ❖ The replacement toilet or washing machine must be new and for use in a residence located within the City of Thornton water service area.
- ❖ Participants must be City of Thornton water customers with current, non-delinquent accounts.
- ❖ Participants must provide proof of their lawful presence in the United States according to provisions of Colorado Law (Immigration Law, HB 06S-1023).
- ❖ The program applies to fixtures purchased after May 1, 2003.
- ❖ Incomplete applications and those without a copy of the purchase receipt(s) and required photographs will be denied.
- ❖ Site may be subject to inspection by City of Thornton 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 are limited to one new machine per household. To qualify for a rebate, the washing machine must be on the list of **Qualifying Clothes Washers** (see page 7). Leased clothes washers are not eligible for rebates.
- ❖ Toilet rebates are limited to two new fixtures per household. A rebate of \$100 will be credited to the account for the first new toilet installed and an additional \$100 rebate will be credited to the account for the second toilet installed.

Waiver of Warranty

The City of Thornton 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 Thornton reserves the right to inspect installation on the premises or request additional information or documentation as needed. The City of Thornton is not liable or responsible for any act or omission of any contractor whatsoever, nor is the City of Thornton responsible for the condition of the plumbing and electrical wiring on the homeowner's side of the meters now or in the future.

Ultra Low-Flush Toilet Rebate Eligibility

- ❖ Participants must be customers of the City of Thornton water utility, with current non-delinquent accounts. Toilets must be installed within the City of Thornton service area.
- ❖ A legible copy of the sales receipt must accompany the rebate application.
- ❖ The old toilet(s) must be broken after removal. A photograph of the old, broken toilet(s) must accompany the rebate application.
- ❖ Rebates are offered on a first-come, first-served basis and are subject to the availability of funds.
- ❖ Site may be subject to inspection by City of Thornton staff, which will be scheduled prior to rebate being issued to the account.
- ❖ Toilet rebates are limited to two new fixtures per household. A rebate of \$100 will be credited to the customer's account for the installation of a new low-flush toilet. An additional rebate of \$100 will be credited to the customer's account for the installation of a second low-flush toilet in the same residence.
- ❖ 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 rebate.
- ❖ Residents are responsible for the disposal of old toilets. If you have City of Thornton solid waste service, you may call the City of Thornton Special Pickup at 720-977-6200 to have an old toilet picked up. There is a \$58 charge for special pickups. Another option is to replace your toilets around the time of your scheduled bulk item pick-up or free landfill day.

Clothes Washing Machine Rebate Eligibility

- ❖ Participants must be customers of the City of Thornton water utility, with current non-delinquent accounts. Washing machines must be installed within the City of Thornton service area.
- ❖ A legible copy of the sales receipt must accompany the rebate application.
- ❖ A photograph of the new, installed washing machine must accompany the rebate application.
- ❖ Rebates are offered on a first-come, first-served basis and are subject to the availability of funds.
- ❖ Site may be subject to inspection by City of Thornton staff, which will be scheduled prior to rebate being issued to the account.
- ❖ **Only clothes washers on the Consortium for Energy Efficiency (CEE) list of Qualifying Clothes Washers are eligible for a rebate. Please refer to Page 7 for more information.**
- ❖ Both existing and newly built homes are eligible for the washing machine rebate.
- ❖ A rebate of \$125 will be credited to the customer's account for the installation of a new, qualifying high efficiency washing machine.
- ❖ Washing machine rebates are limited to one new machine per household.
- ❖ Pre-owned and leased clothes washers do not qualify for rebates.

Choosing a High Performance Toilet

All toilets manufactured after 1994 must meet federal standards and use no more than 1.6 gallons per flush; therefore, all toilets on the market today are eligible for the rebate. Choosing a model that best suits your needs may be difficult. The following list contains models that performed well in a study conducted by the National Home Builders Research Center.

High Performance Low-Flush Toilets

Make	Model	Type	Cost under \$100
Toto	Ultimate (elongate bowl)	gravity	no
Toto	Ultramax	gravity	no
Toto	Ultimate (round bowl)	gravity	no
Niagara	Flapperless	gravity	yes
Mansfield	Alto	gravity	yes
American Standard	Dual Flush	gravity	no
Corona	Orchid	gravity	yes
Crane/Universal	Atlas	gravity	yes
Western Pottery	Aris	gravity	yes
Gerber	Ultra	pressure	no
Toto	Drake (1.4 gpf)	gravity	no
American Standard	Compact	gravity	yes
Niagara	Turbo	gravity	yes
Toto	Drake	gravity	no
Briggs (Proflo)	Altima III	gravity	yes
Mansfield	Quantum	pressure	no
Toto	CST703	gravity	yes
Kohler	Memoirs	gravity	no
Briggs (Proflo)	Vacuity	vacuum	no
Briggs (Proflo)	Abingdon III	gravity	yes
Sanitarios Azteca	Sahara	gravity	yes
Kohler	Wellworth 4620-0/4277-0	gravity	yes
Kohler	Wellworth 4620-0/4276-0	gravity	no
American Standard	Plebe	gravity	yes
Kohler	Devonshire	gravity	no

This is a partial list of the top 25 high performance toilets as reported in *Water Closet Performance Testing*, NAHB Research Center, September 2002. To view the entire report, please visit <http://savingwater.org>.

Qualifying Clothes Washers

Only clothes washers on the Consortium for Energy Efficiency (CEE) list of Qualifying Clothes Washers are eligible for a rebate from the City of Thornton. 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 at <http://www.cee1.org/resid/seha/rwsh/rwsh-prod.pdf> before you purchase your new clothes washer.

Pre-owned and leased clothes washers are not eligible for rebates.

Contact the Water Resources Division at 720-977-6500 or go to CEE's web site (<http://www.cee1.org>) for more information.