



City of Miramar

Fire Hydrant Flushing Program

Frequently Asked Questions

1. What is the Fire Hydrant Flushing Program?

Fire Hydrants Flushing program is a routine maintenance program required to remove sediments that may have accumulated inside the distribution system. This is one of the methods used by the Utilities Department to maintain a high water quality throughout the distribution system.

2. What is the schedule for the Fire Hydrant Flushing Program?

The City of Miramar's Utilities Department is scheduled to Flush Hydrants throughout the city from Monday June 1 to Friday, July 31, 2009. City crews will work between 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Dates: Week of June 1, 2009

Locations: **Zone 5** - All streets west of Flamingo Road to east of interstate I-75, south of Pembroke Road to Honey Hill Road.

Dates: Week of June 8, 2009

Locations: **Zone 6** - All streets west of I-75, to east of SW 172nd Avenue, south of Pembroke Road to Honey Hill Road.

Dates: Week of June 15, 2009

Locations: **Zone 7** - All streets west of SW 172nd Avenue, to SW 196th Avenue, south of Pembroke Road to Honey Hill Road.

Dates: Week of July 20, 2009

Locations: **Zone 4** - All streets west of Palm Avenue to east of Flamingo Road, south of Pembroke Road to Honey Hill Road.

Dates: Week of December 7, 2009

Locations: **Zone 3** - All streets west of University Drive to east of Palm Avenue, south of Pembroke Road to County Line Road.

Dates: Week of December 14, 2009

Locations: **Zone 2** - All streets west of Florida Turnpike to east of University Drive, south of Pembroke Road to County Line Road.

Dates: Week of December 21, 2009

Locations: **Zone 1** - All streets west of SR 7 to east of Florida Turnpike, south of Pembroke Road to County Line Road.

3. How will I know when city crews are in my area?

City Crews will place large yellow signs marked "Fire Hydrants Flushing Today" at the entry way to your area.

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4. Are there health risks associated with the discoloration?

There might be discoloration associated with flushing that is caused by mineral particles being disturbed from the water main. There are no known adverse health effects associated with these minerals. If discoloration occurs, turn off all inside fixtures, go outside to your garden hose valve and flush the water directly from the valve until your water clears.

5. How long does it take to flush the water main on each street?

Normally it takes about 30–60 minutes.

6. Can I use my water when you are flushing the water mains on my area?

It is not recommended during flushing. Specifically, do not use your household filters, washing machine, and hot water. Turn off any time-delayed water systems, such as dishwashers and coffee makers. Do not use discolored water for preparing food and beverages, medical and dental procedures or laundry.

7. Will I notice any change after you flush the water mains?

Water is sometimes discolored after water main flushing, but this should be clear up quickly.

8. What should I do if discoloration occurs in the water?

Turn on cold water tap and let the water run for a few minutes until it is clear up. Do not use a tap that has a water filter connected to it, otherwise the sediment may clog your filter. Do not use a hot water tap because it could draw sediment into your hot water tank.

9. How will you monitor the water quality during the flushing program?

City staff will collect samples and test water quality during the flushing program.

10. Who can I contact for further information?

City of Miramar Customer Service at:
(954) 602- HELP or
Email: www.miramar602help.com