



Reclaimed Water Facts

What is Reclaimed Water?

Reclaimed water is wastewater that has been thoroughly treated to remove harmful organisms and substances, such as bacteria, viruses, and heavy metals, so it can be reused. It does not meet the same State and Federal standards as drinking water.

Common Uses

Reclaimed water is commonly used to irrigate golf courses, residential landscapes, corporate grounds, agricultural fields, and sports fields. It can be used for industrial heating and cooling, for car washes, and to replenish wetlands during times of drought. Responsibly using reclaimed water leaves us with greater supplies of fresh drinking water.

Note: All homes and businesses using reclaimed water have a free cross-connection inspection for public health and safety. Customers should contact CCUA if they believe they have a problem with their reclaimed irrigation system.

Is Reclaimed Water Safe?

Reclaimed water is treated to be used for specific purposes. It is filtered and disinfected, but the nutrients remaining in the treated water are not safe for human consumption.



Do NOT Use Reclaimed Water For:

- Drinking
- Bathing people or animals
- Connection to a dwelling or for household use
- Connecting to another water source
- Watering gardens
- Filling swimming pools or hot tubs
- Increasing pond levels