



# Irrigation Upgrade Program

## Commercial Program Guidelines

### Eligibility

- ≈ The property receives water from Austin Water or an eligible wholesale district.
- ≈ New irrigation systems and/or expansions are not eligible for rebates.
- ≈ An appropriate backflow prevention device must be present.
- ≈ Upgrades have been recommended by Austin Water staff as part of an irrigation system evaluation.

### Quick Tips

1. Scheduled walk-throughs help keep your system in shape and are a good opportunity to make scheduling changes according to the weather.
2. Show a staff member where the controller is and how to adjust it.
3. Consider your irrigation system when making landscape changes.
4. Keep up with watering restrictions and related information online at [WaterWiseAustin.org](http://WaterWiseAustin.org).

**For information on more ways you can conserve water, visit [www.WaterWiseAustin.org](http://www.WaterWiseAustin.org)**

### Program Information

Austin Water's Irrigation Upgrade Program is designed to encourage eligible customers to make improvements to their irrigation systems that will benefit the business, landscape, and the irrigation system itself. During the irrigation evaluation, a licensed irrigator from Austin Water will examine the irrigation system in operation and may recommend improvements to the irrigation system. Available rebates are a one time offer and cover parts and labor for recommended system upgrades. **The maximum rebate amount is \$1,000 per account.**

### Application Instructions

1. Have your automatic irrigation system evaluated by a licensed irrigator from Austin Water. Evaluations may be scheduled by calling 974-2199 or online at [www.WaterWiseAustin.org](http://www.WaterWiseAustin.org).
2. Complete recommended upgrades either by hiring a licensed irrigator or using a full time employee who is directly employed by the property owner. This excludes property management companies.
3. Once completed, mail your completed application and a copy of your itemized receipts to:

**AWU Water Conservation  
P.O. Box 1088  
Austin, TX 78767**

**Or fax to: (512) 974-6548**

4. For tax purposes, commercial and multi-family properties must submit a completed W-9 with their application to receive a rebate. Please [click here](#) to download the form.

### Program Requirements

- ≈ An irrigation evaluation must be performed by Austin Water Conservation staff prior to beginning any work to be rebated and all rebated items are subject to post inspection.
- ≈ A rain sensor must either be present at the time of the evaluation or installed after the evaluation to be eligible for rebates.
- ≈ According to Texas Administrative Code chapter 344 all irrigation work must be done by a licensed irrigator or a full time direct employee of the property owner.
- ≈ Recommended work must be completed within 90 days of the evaluation and applicable receipts and application must be submitted within 30 days of the completed work.
- ≈ Receipts must be itemized.

### Information on Large Property Variances:

Variances to the commercial Tuesday and/or Friday schedule are available for large properties that cannot complete a watering cycle within the allotted time. This variance may allow extra days to water the entire property, but still limits each area to no more than two days watering per week. For more information on variances and the proper application process, please visit:

<http://www.ci.austin.tx.us/water/conservation/bvariances.htm>.



Request ID Number \_\_\_\_\_ (City Use Only)

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Please read program guidelines on page 1 before filling out form.

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- ≈ **An evaluation by Austin Water Conservation staff has been performed within the last 90 days.**
- ≈ Work was completed by a licensed irrigator or full time employee of the property owner.
- ≈ Receipt copies must be itemized.
- ≈ A rain sensor and proper backflow prevention device must be present.

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### Customer Information (please print clearly):

Customer/Business Name \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Name \_\_\_\_\_ Daytime Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Physical Address \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

Utility Account No. \_\_\_\_\_

Work completed by:  Licensed irrigator  Full time employee of property owner

### Items to be Rebated

**Rain/soil moisture sensor(s)** (A sensor must be present in order to qualify for rebate.)

Quantity \_\_\_\_\_ Cost \_\_\_\_\_ Rebate Amount \_\_\_\_\_  
(up to \$75 per sensor)

**Pressure Regulating Valve**

Quantity \_\_\_\_\_ Cost \_\_\_\_\_ Rebate Amount \_\_\_\_\_  
(up to \$300)

**Station change to pressure compensating heads** (Entire station must be converted to pressure compensating heads. Rebate amount is per station. Limit of 6 stations.)

# converted \_\_\_\_\_ Cost \_\_\_\_\_ Rebate Amount \_\_\_\_\_  
(up to \$60 per station)

**Conversion of station to drip** (Must include filter and pressure regulation component(s))

# converted \_\_\_\_\_ Cost \_\_\_\_\_ Rebate Amount \_\_\_\_\_  
(up to \$100 per station)

**Controller(s)** (Installed controller must have an internal non-volatile memory and ability to schedule by calendar day and station times by one minute increments.)

Quantity \_\_\_\_\_ Cost \_\_\_\_\_ Rebate Amount \_\_\_\_\_  
(up to \$150 per controller)

**Total Amount** \_\_\_\_\_  
(Maximum is \$1,000.)

### Customer Agreement

I have read and understand the Program Guidelines provided on page 1.

I will provide receipts and documentation that qualifies me for the rebate program.

I understand that Austin Water reserves the right to cancel or modify the program without notice, and that rebates are subject to funding availability.

Applicant's signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_