



Irrigation Upgrade Program

Single Family Residential Program Guidelines

Eligibility

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

Quick Tips

1. Hand water stressed areas and higher need plants instead of increasing time on an entire station.
2. Divide your watering cycle into shorter consecutive watering cycles to help absorption and to decrease runoff.
3. Make seasonal changes to your irrigation schedule and don't run your system during or right after a rainfall.
4. Keep up with watering restrictions and related information online at WaterWiseAustin.org.

For information on more ways you can conserve water, visit www.WaterWiseAustin.org

Program Information

Austin Water's Irrigation Upgrade Program is designed to encourage homeowners to make improvements to their irrigation systems that will benefit the homeowner, 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 per property is \$375.**

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.
2. Complete recommended upgrades either by hiring a licensed irrigator or doing the work yourself if you are the homeowner.
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**

Program Requirements

- ≈ An irrigation evaluation must be performed by Austin Water Conservation staff prior to beginning work and all rebated items are subject to inspection.
- ≈ Participants must have or install a working rain sensor to be eligible for any irrigation upgrade rebates.
- ≈ According to Texas Administrative Code chapter 344 all irrigation work must be done by a licensed irrigator or the residential 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.

Choosing a contractor:

- ≈ Ask friends and neighbors for recommendations or check your community newsletter for contractors working in your area.
- ≈ Check the Better Business Bureau for information, or view license status and CEU courses completed at www5.tceq.state.tx.us/lic_dpa/.
- ≈ Depending on the size of the job, talk to multiple contractors before making your decision. Cheaper is not always better!
- ≈ Ensure the contractor will pull the proper permits if needed.



Request ID Number _____ (City Use Only)

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

Customer Information (please print clearly):

Name _____

Address _____

_____ Zip Code _____

E-mail Address _____

Primary Phone _____ Secondary Phone _____

Utility Account No. _____

The work was completed by: A licensed irrigator Homeowner.

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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 directly by the homeowner.
- ≈ Receipt copies must be itemized.
- ≈ A rain sensor and proper backflow prevention device must be present.

Items to be Rebated

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

Quantity _____ Cost _____ Rebate Amount _____
(up to \$75)

Pressure Regulating Valve

Quantity _____ Cost _____ Rebate Amount _____
(up to \$100)

Station change to pressure compensating heads (Entire station must be converted to pressure compensating heads. Limit of 4 stations can be converted for rebate.)

converted _____ Cost _____ Rebate Amount _____
(up to \$40 per station)

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

converted _____ Cost _____ Rebate Amount _____
(up to \$50 per station)

Capping a station (Station valve must be removed and kept for final inspection. Cap on the system must remain visible until final inspection is completed.)

Quantity _____ Rebate Amount _____
(\$50 per station)

Controller (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 \$50)

Total Amount _____
(Maximum is \$375.)

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Customer Agreement

I have read and understand the Rebate 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: _____