

COMMERCIAL/LARGE LANDSCAPE WEATHER-BASED IRRIGATION CONTROLLER REBATE

Receive **\$30*** per active station for installing a WaterSense certified Weather-Based Irrigation Controller!

Alameda County Water District (ACWD) is a partner of the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA's) WaterSense Program and offers commercial or large landscape customers a rebate of \$30 per active station for purchasing and installing a WaterSense certified weather-based irrigation controller (WBIC).

- WaterSense certified WBICs use 20% less water, save energy, and perform as well or better than other conventional controller models.
- WBICs are designed to optimize landscape water application to prevent over-watering. They use information such as local weather conditions, plant type, and soil moisture to determine your landscape's actual water needs which improves landscape health. WBICs automatically adjust the watering schedule, so you don't have to.

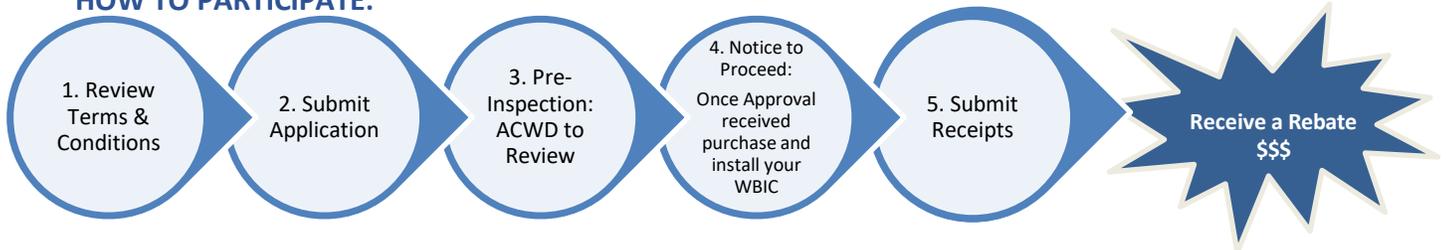


*Rebate is based on active stations. Active stations are those that are physically connected to an in-use irrigation system.

PROGRAM QUALIFICATIONS:

- Applicant must be an existing commercial, industrial, institutional or multi-family/HOA ACWD customer or authorized representative and the installation site must be within ACWD's service area (Fremont, Newark, and Union City)
- To realize water savings, the site must have a well-maintained irrigation system compatible with a WaterSense labeled WBIC (e.g., no line breaks, pressure issues, broken spray heads, etc.)
- Site must have fully operational conventional controller(s) that have been in place for at least one year.
- All controllers must be installed with a rain sensor unless the controller model installed includes an on-site weather component
- Smart Controllers must be WaterSense certified: www.epa.gov/watersense/product-search
- Site must have a demonstrated potential for conservation savings (will be confirmed during the pre-installation survey)
- Site must not have mixed hydrozones (turf and non-turf areas on same valves)
- All valves must be fully operational at the time of the pre-installation survey

HOW TO PARTICIPATE:



- 1. REVIEW** - Program Qualifications (above) and the Terms and Conditions on page 2
- 2. SUBMIT** - Sign up for an account and submit your application through the watersavingscenter.acwd.org
- 3. NOTICE TO PROCEED** – ACWD will review your application. Once written approval has been received, you may purchase your WaterSense certified timer: www.epa.gov/watersense/product-search Keep a copy of your receipt as proof of purchase for your rebate application.
- 4. INSTALL THE WATERSENSE CERTIFIED WBIC** - Once you have received written approval from ACWD you must install the timer within 90 days.
- 5. SUBMIT** - Submit all required application materials for ACWD review using the Water Savings Center online application. **Required documents include** photos of the installed WBIC(s) (including the WaterSense label), a copy of the controller receipt (including purchase date, make/model, cost), indicate date of installation
- 6. REBATE** – If all rebate terms and conditions are met, ACWD will send a rebate check in the mail written to the water account holder within four to six weeks. A W-9 form is required if the check is to be written to someone other than the water account holder.



PROGRAM TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

- Only the cost of the approved smart controller is eligible for a rebate (installation costs, site upgrades, and/or subscription fees are not eligible).
- Rebates will not exceed the cost (minus any manufacturer rebates) of the smart controller(s) purchased and installed and are based on the number of active stations of the existing controllers.
- Rebates will be issued on a first-come, first-served basis for qualified customers. Funding is limited and may be exhausted without prior notice. Submitting an application does not guarantee you will receive a rebate.
- All controllers **must be installed with a rain sensor** unless the controller model installed includes an on-site weather component.
- ACWD reserves the right to deny any application that does not meet program requirements and reserves the right to alter this program at any time.
- ACWD makes no representation or warranty relating to products, including any hazardous substances that may be contained in the products, purchased under this program. The customer/applicant is responsible for addressing any issues (functionality, performance or otherwise) related to the smart controller directly with the manufacturer and any issues with installation directly with their installer.
- Customer/Applicant agrees to inform ACWD of these issues when they occur.
- Customer/Applicant waives, releases and holds harmless ACWD, and their respective board members, agents, officers, contractors or employees from and against any and all claims asserted or liability established for damages, injuries or liability of any kind to any person or property arising out of or resulting from the acts or omissions of the Customer/Applicant, including conditions on the customer's property, and the purchase, installation, and use of the irrigation controller purchased through this rebate program.
- Customer/Applicant understands that participation in this program is optional. Any activities conducted by the customer/applicant shall be at the sole discretion, risk, and cost of the customer/ applicant.
- Customer/Applicant agrees to provide ACWD staff, ACWD contractors, and ACWD representatives access to the participating site to conduct pre- and post-installation inspections.
- Customer/Applicant agrees to purchase a smart controller that is listed on the WaterSense rated list of controllers. Contact ACWD, prior to installation, to get approval for any controller they wish to install that is not on the ACWD list.
- Customer/Applicant agrees to have the smart controller installed by a trained professional and/or a manufacturer's representative must be present during the installation.
- Customer/Applicant agrees that additional instrumentation and/or special installation requirements (per manufacturer specifications) to meet the minimum smart controller operational requirements may be required at the customer/ applicant expense.
- Customer/Applicant agrees to have trained users on staff or hired personnel (e.g., landscape contractor) that know how to program, monitor and maintain the smart controller.
- Customer/Applicant agrees to have staff or hired personnel monitor the new controller regularly to ensure that it is functioning properly and watering efficiently.
- Customer/Applicant agrees to have their current watering schedule altered as a result of the smart controller installation.
- Customer/Applicant authorizes ACWD to release customer water consumption information, both historical and future, for program evaluation purposes.
- Customer/Applicant authorizes ACWD to use consumption information, photos of the project site and other data for promotional purposes.
- Customer/Applicant understands that the installation of an approved smart controller does not guarantee a reduction in the site's water bill or water usage.
- Customer/Applicant agrees to have the smart controller installed and operational for a minimum of five (5) years. Any smart controller subscription fees for weather data transmission must also be maintained for that period.
- Customer/Applicant agrees to dispose of the existing controller(s) per governing regulations and laws.
- By submitting the application form the customer/applicant agrees to abide by the program qualifications and these terms and conditions.