



# LAKEWOOD WATER WISE REBATES

Thank you for your interest in saving money on your water bill and helping Lakewood conserve water.

The City is offering water bill credits to City of Lakewood water customers for the following projects:

- Turf Removal (minimum 40 sq ft; rebate up to 800 sq ft).
- Subsurface irrigation (minimum 40 sq ft; rebate up to 800 sq ft).
- Purchase and installation of certain water-saving devices (plus bonus “Shop Lakewood” credit if you purchase from a Lakewood merchant).

**Pre-approval is required before any work begins.**

This packet contains all the information on these programs. Please review them carefully to learn the requirements for each rebate.

Complete and return the pre-application form (for each project) and accompanying documents to:

City of Lakewood  
Dept of Water Resources Water Conservation Turf Removal Rebate Program  
5050 Clark Avenue  
Lakewood, CA 90712

If you have further questions, please call the Department of Water Resources at 562-866-9771, extension 2700.

Golden State Water customers should contact 800-999-4033 to check for available rebates.

For information on additional turf and device rebates available through the Metropolitan Water District, visit our page at [www.lakewoodcity.org/WaterRebates](http://www.lakewoodcity.org/WaterRebates).



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## Turf Removal Rebate Program Requirements

1. You must have grass – green, yellow, brown, and/or patches – to be eligible for the program and receive project start approval before removing your turf.
2. Replacement of turf with water and air permeable surfaces such as stones and gravel, weedbarrier with mulch, decorative rock and permeable pavers
3. Unacceptable projects include:
  - Synthetic turf.
  - Nonporous concrete/tile.
  - Projects that remove turf for the purpose of extending a driveway.
4. Exposed soil must be covered with a minimum layer of 2 inches of non-living yet permeable material to prevent erosion. This must be maintained at the level between the top of curb and the sidewalks. Examples: Stones and gravel, weed barrier with mulch, decorative rock and permeable pavers.
5. Plants must be California Native or medium to low water use plants and with very low growth habits. Examples and information on drought tolerant and native plants can be found at the [Los Angeles County Waterworks Districts website](#).
6. Plants must be watered by hand, or use drip irrigation or micro sprinklers. In conjunction with the Turf Rebate Program, water conserving devices are also eligible for rebates. If installing a drip irrigation system, it should include the parkway plants, including the current or future city planted trees.
7. Before you dig up your lawn or dig for any other projects, remember it is the Law to call Dig-Alert at 811 two full working days in advance to make sure there aren't gas or utility lines in the area.
8. Rebate Amount: \$1.00 per square foot
  - Minimum Project Area: 40 square feet or \$40.00
  - Maximum Project Area Eligible for Turf Removal Rebate: 800 square feet or \$800.00
9. Special Requirements:
  - ☐ **All projects require pre-approval before starting work.** Projects already in progress are not eligible for turf removal rebate program.
  - ☐ **Pre-application Submittal:** Completed turf removal pre-application, proposed landscape plan that includes project area dimensions, plant material location indicating common or botanical name, proposed irrigation (drawing does not have to be prepared by a professional landscape architect), and minimum of 4 colored pictures of the project area.

- ❑ **Project Completion Timeframe:** Complete the turf removal project as approved within 6 months of the project acceptance. Failure to complete the project within the stated time will forfeit the pre-approved rebate.
- ❑ **Minimum Five (5) Year Commitment:** The converted area must be maintained free of turf for no less than five (5) years or until such time that property ownership changes hands.
- ❑ **This is a one-time-per-address rebate.** Future turf removal projects will not be eligible for another rebate.
- ❑ **Rebate Water Bill Credit:** This rebate has no cash value. The rebate is granted as a credit on the water bill of the project location.

#### Residential Turf Rebate Program Eligibility Requirements:

- ❑ Applicant must be a City of Lakewood Water Customer. [Golden State Water Company](#) customers living in the 90715 zip code area can check for available water conservation rebates by calling 800.999.4033.
- ❑ Applicant's water account must be in good standing.
- ❑ Only single-family residences are eligible. Renters that assume the responsibility of paying the water bill are eligible for the rebate granted permission is obtained from the property owner. The property owner or his agent must sign the pre-application form.
- ❑ Rebates are offered on a first come first serve basis and subject to available funds. Future funding will be dependent upon approval of the annual budget.

#### Pre-Application Instructions:

The City of Lakewood's Turf Removal Program requires the submittal of a pre-application prior to the removal and installation of turf alternatives. Proposed projects must remove at least 40 square feet of turf area, but rebate will be paid for up to 800 square feet of turf removed and replaced with approved plant material, water conserving irrigation and/or permeable surface materials. Synthetic turf and non-permeable surfaces (e.g. concrete or tile installed with grout) are not allowable turf alternatives.

- ❑ Identify the affected area(s) on the property.
- ❑ Photograph the affected area(s). Provide 4 to 5 pictures of each area. (Pictures can be printed on plain paper.)
- ❑ Calculate the square footage for each area. Minimum project size: 40 square feet
- ❑ Submit a landscape plan (refer to the example for assistance), which includes a drawing of the project area that indicates the following:
  - ❑ Identify and locate plant material to be used in project area. The majority of the plant material must be drought tolerant or considered low water use plants.
  - ❑ Identify and locate irrigation points in the project area.
  - ❑ Identify the type of irrigation to be installed in the project area. All sprinkler heads in the project area must be removed, capped or replaced with low volume drip irrigation system. (Water conserving irrigation devices are also eligible for rebates. Check [www.lakewoodcity.org/waterrebates](http://www.lakewoodcity.org/waterrebates) for further information including the list of approved devices and device rebate application form.)



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- ❑ Copy of plumbing and/or electrical permits required for work. A plumbing permit is required when changing, adding, altering, repairing, or replacing a sprinkler control valve and an electrical permit is required when changing, adding, altering, repairing, or replacing a 120 volt circuit for a time clock for a landscape sprinkler system. The property owner or a licensed contractor must obtain the appropriate permits from the City of Lakewood Community Development Department.<sup>1</sup>
- ❑ Identify and locate the type of permeable surface material(s) to be installed in the project area, including ground cover and weed barrier. Weed barrier must allow for water drainage through the material, and all exposed soil should be covered in 2" to 3" of nonliving yet permeable material, such as bark or decorative rock.
- ❑ Complete turf removal program pre-application, sign and date. Please make a copy of the rebate pre-application for your records.
- ❑ Mail signed application, the landscape plan & photos to the following:  
CITY OF LAKEWOOD DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES WATER CONSERVATION  
TURF REMOVAL REBATE PROGRAM, 5050 Clark Avenue, Lakewood, CA 90712

### **Pre-Application Review Process:**

Upon receipt of the pre-application, the City will determine rebate eligibility including account status and verification of information on pre-application and status of existing landscape. This may include a site visit. Applicant will receive an email indicating approval/denial of rebate application, which will include the Turf Removal Rebate Request Form. Notification should occur within 10 days of submittal. The project will be assigned a REBATE RESERVATION NUMBER. This number will be required to process the rebate after the project completion.

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<sup>1</sup> If you are the property owner but do not reside at the subject site, or if you reside at the subject site but do not own the property, required permits must be obtained by a licensed contractor. Landscaping contractors carrying a C27 license or a plumbing contractor carrying a C36 license may obtain an irrigation permit. A property owner residing at the subject site and on title of the property may obtain all necessary permits.



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Landscape Plan<sup>2</sup>

A blank landscape plan grid consisting of a large square area divided into a 20x20 grid of smaller squares. The grid is composed of light blue lines on a white background. The title "Landscape Plan<sup>2</sup>" is centered at the top of the page.

Key<sup>3</sup>

<sup>2</sup> Use this grid to prepare your Landscape Plan. This grid is provided for your convenience. The Landscape Plan can be submitted on a separate sheet.

<sup>3</sup> List & locate all plant material, ground cover & irrigation. Include project area dimensions.

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# Turf Removal Rebate Program Pre-Application

Water Customer Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Lakewood Water Customer Account Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Property Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Lakewood, CA Zip Code: ☐ 90712 ☐ 90713 ☐ 90714

Name of Property Owner (if different from Water Customer): \_\_\_\_\_

Property Owner Daytime Telephone Number (if different from Water Customer): \_\_\_\_\_

Property Owner Approval (Projects without owner approval are ineligible for rebate): \_\_\_\_\_

Property Owner Signature

Date

Indicate the Location & Estimated Size of Turf Removal Project (Check all applicable boxes.):

<input type="checkbox"/> Front Yard	Est. Square Footage: _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Backyard	Est. Square Footage: _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Parkway	Est. Square Footage: _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Left Side Yard (Facing House)	Est. Square Footage: _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Right Side Yard (Facing House)	Est. Square Footage: _____

**TOTAL SQUARE FEET OF TURF TO BE**

**REMOVED: \_\_\_\_\_**

Who will complete the project?

☐ Owner ☐ Renter ☐ Contractor ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Indicate current watering methods (check all that apply):

<input type="checkbox"/> Automatic in-ground sprinklers	Sprinkler Heads Make & Model: _____
	Sprinkler Head Output: _____ gallons per minute
	Controller Make & Model: _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Manual in-ground sprinklers	Sprinkler Heads Make & Model: _____
	Sprinkler Head Output: _____ gallons per minute
<input type="checkbox"/> Manual hose & sprinkler	
<input type="checkbox"/> By hand	
<input type="checkbox"/> Other	

Do you plan to install, replace, alter, upgrade, or change your current system? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, indicate which irrigation devices (if any) will be installed to water the project area (check all that apply):

<input type="checkbox"/> Control Valve:	Make & Model: _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Time Clock:	Make & Model: _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Drip irrigation:	Make & Model: _____
<input type="checkbox"/> New sprinkler heads:	Make & Model: _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Other:	Make & Model: _____

**When changing, adding, altering, repairing, or replacing a control valve or a time clock for a landscape sprinkler system a plumbing and/or electrical permit is required respectively. Submit a copy of the permit with this pre-application.**

Remember to include the following with this pre-application:

- ☐ Landscape Plan with Project Dimensions, and Proposed Location of Plants, Irrigation & Ground Cover
- ☐ Proposed Plant List for Project Area
- ☐ Proposed Ground Cover & Weed Barrier for Project Area
- ☐ Copy of City of Lakewood Plumbing & Electrical Permits (if necessary)
- ☐ Photos of Existing Landscape in Project Area

## Product Disclaimer & Terms of Turf Removal Rebate Program

The City of Lakewood makes no representation or warranty relating to contracted services or products that may be installed in converted area, including any hazardous substances that may be contained in the product. Removal of turf and installation of water efficient devices does not guarantee reduced water use. This pre-application is for a rebate only. By participating in the program, you waive and release the City of Lakewood from any and all claims and causes of action arising out of the removal of turf and/or the purchase, installation or use of devices in connection with this Turf Removal Rebate Program. Any claim you may have based upon any defect or failure of performance of a contracted service or device purchased by you should be pursued with the contractor or manufacturer/distributor.

The City of Lakewood only enforces the terms and conditions of the Turf Removal Rebate Program. The applicant is responsible for complying with all applicable laws, codes, policies, covenants, conditions and restrictions that may apply. Quality and appearance of the converted area is the responsibility of the applicant. The applicant agrees to the following:

1. Complete the turf removal project as approved within 6 months of the project acceptance. Failure to complete the project within the stated time will forfeit the pre-approved rebate.
2. The converted area must be maintained free of turf for no less than five (5) years or until such time that property ownership changes hands.
3. This is a one-time-per-address rebate. Future turf removal projects will not be eligible for another rebate.
4. This rebate has no cash value. The rebate is granted as a credit on water used through the participant's City of Lakewood water account.

By signing this application, the applicant agrees to comply with the program terms and conditions, as well as, all Federal, State and local codes, including covenants, conditions and restrictions, as applicable. The applicant has read, understands and agrees to the terms and conditions of the program as outlined and certifies that the information on the application is true and correct.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Water Customer Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Water Customer Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

### Mail Completed Turf Removal Pre-Application and Accompanying Information to:

**CITY OF LAKEWOOD**

**DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES WATER CONSERVATION TURF REMOVAL REBATE PROGRAM**

**5050 Clark Avenue**

**Lakewood, CA 90712**

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY	
DATE STAMP	
REBATE NUMBER	
Pre-Application Approved/Denied	
Date of Application Approval/Denial	

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# LAKEWOOD WATER WISE REBATES

## Subsurface Irrigation Rebate Program

Irrigation systems provide many benefits to residents, such as convenience and even increased property value. When used properly, subsurface irrigation can reduce landscape water needs up to 25 percent!

Lakewood Department of Water Resources (DWR) offers rebates to customers that replace above ground spray irrigation with subsurface irrigation (pictured below is a Rain Bird subsurface dripline). Subsurface irrigation, not to be confused with surface drip irrigation, is designed to:

1. Be about 6 inches underground
2. Slowly apply small volumes of water at or near the root zone of plants
3. Be more efficient than above ground spray irrigation systems
4. Irrigate under turf grass or shrub and groundcover areas.



Please visit our website at [www.lakewoodcity.org/waterrebates](http://www.lakewoodcity.org/waterrebates) for more information on our drip irrigation rebate program or call (562) 866-9771 ext. 2700 for assistance.

## Subsurface Irrigation Rebate Requirements

- ☐ Rebate amount: \$0.50 per square foot (credit to appear on water bill)
  - ☐ Minimum Project Area: 40 square feet (\$20)
  - ☐ Maximum Project Area: 800 square feet (\$400)
- ☐ Water bill account must be and maintain in good standing at the time of application and until the completion of the project to receive rebate
- ☐ Project requires pre-application submittal: Complete Subsurface Irrigation Rebate Pre-Application. Projects already in progress are not eligible for subsurface irrigation rebate.
- ☐ **PRIOR** to final soil compaction/installation of the subsurface irrigation system, the DWR must be contacted at (562) 866-9771 ext. 2700 to conduct an on-sight inspection.
- ☐ **Project Completion Timeline:** Complete the subsurface irrigation system as approved by the DWR within 6 months of project acceptance. Failure to complete the project within the stated time will forfeit your pre-approved application.
- ☐ Credit on water bill after project verification: This rebate has no cash value. The rebate is granted as a credit on water used through the participant's City of Lakewood water account.
- ☐ Note: the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California does not offer its own additional rebate for subsurface irrigation systems.



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# LAKEWOOD WATER WISE REBATES

## Subsurface Irrigation Rebate Pre-Application

Water Customer Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Lakewood Water Customer Account Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Property Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Property Owner (if different from Water Customer): \_\_\_\_\_

Property Owner Daytime Telephone Number (if different from Water Customer): \_\_\_\_\_

Location of Subsurface Device Installation (check all that apply.):

- ☐ Front Yard: \_\_\_\_\_ sqft
- ☐ Back Yard: \_\_\_\_\_ sqft
- ☐ Side Yard (Indicate Side Yard Location)
  - ☐ Left Side (Facing House): \_\_\_\_\_ sqft
  - ☐ Right Side (Facing House): \_\_\_\_\_ sqft

**TOTAL sqft \_\_\_\_\_ x \$0.50 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_ rebate**



Did you purchase your irrigation devices in Lakewood? Devices purchased in Lakewood totaling \$25.00+ are eligible for additional savings! Get the Shop Lakewood coupon at [www.lakewoodcity.org/WaterRebateCoupon](http://www.lakewoodcity.org/WaterRebateCoupon) and attach it to the Water Conservation Device Application Rebate form along with your receipts proving purchase in Lakewood.



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# WATER WISE REBATES

## Water Conservation Device Rebate Program Application

Water Customer Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Lakewood Water Customer Account Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Property Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Lakewood, CA Zip Code: ☐ 90712 ☐ 90713 ☐ 90714

Property Owner (if different from Water Customer): \_\_\_\_\_

Property Owner Daytime Telephone Number (if different from Water Customer): \_\_\_\_\_

Location of Device Installation (check all that apply.):

☐ Front Yard

☐ Back Yard

☐ Side Yard

Indicate Side Yard Location: ☐ Left Side (Facing House) ☐ Right Side (Facing House)

Type of Rebate (check all that apply.):

☐ Drip Irrigation/Micro Sprinkler Kit <\$20.00

☐ Drip Irrigation/Micro Sprinkler Kit ≥\$20.00

☐ Hose End Timer

☐ Rotor Nozzle

☐ Rain Sensor

☐ Irrigation Controller Equipped with Rain Sensor or Moisture Sensor

☐ Weather Based Irrigation Controller

Make/Model: \_\_\_\_\_

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Make/Model: \_\_\_\_\_

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Water Conservation Device	Number of Allowable Rebates	Number of Rebates Requested:	Rebate Amount per Unit:	TOTAL REBATE	Date of Purchase
Drip Irrigation/Micro Sprinkler Kit <\$20.00	1	_____	\$5.00	_____	_____
Drip Irrigation/Micro Sprinkler Kit ≥\$20.00	1	_____	\$10.00	_____	_____
Hose End Timer	1	_____	\$5.00	_____	_____
Rotor Nozzle	7-25	_____	\$2.00	_____	_____
Rain Sensor or Moisture Sensor	1	_____	\$25.00	_____	_____
Irrigation Controller Equipped with Rain Sensor or Moisture Sensor	1	_____	\$35.00	_____	_____
Weather Based Irrigation Controller	1	_____	\$50.00	_____	_____
GRAND TOTAL				_____	_____

Plus "Shop Lakewood" Rebate\* \_\_\_\_\_



\*If you purchase your devices in Lakewood totaling \$25.00 and more, you are eligible for additional savings (see [www.lakewoodcity.org/WaterRebateCoupon](http://www.lakewoodcity.org/WaterRebateCoupon) for details). Print the coupon and attach it with your receipts showing proof of purchase from a Lakewood merchant to qualify.

## Product Disclaimer & Terms of Rebate Program

The City of Lakewood makes no representation or warranty relating to contracted services or products that may be installed, including any hazardous substances that may be contained in the product. Installation of water efficient devices does not guarantee reduced water use. This application is for a rebate only.

By participating in the program, you waive and release the City of Lakewood from any and all claims and causes of action arising out of the purchase, installation or use of devices in connection with this Water Conservation Device Rebate Program. Any claim you may have based upon any defect or failure of performance of a contracted service or device purchased by you should be pursued with the contractor or manufacturer/distributor.

The City of Lakewood only enforces the terms and conditions of the Water Conservation Device Rebate Program. The applicant is responsible for complying with all applicable laws, codes, policies, covenants, conditions and restrictions that may apply. This includes the City of Lakewood Water Conservation Ordinance.

By signing this application, the applicant agrees to comply with the program terms and conditions, as well as, all Federal, State and local codes, including covenants, conditions and restrictions, as applicable. The applicant has read, understands and agrees to the terms and conditions of the program as outlined and certifies that the information on the application is true and correct.

Water Customer

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

### Mail Completed Form and Original Receipts to:

**Water Conservation Rebate Program  
City of Lakewood  
5050 Clark Avenue  
Lakewood, CA 90712**

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY	
DATE STAMP	
REBATE NUMBER	
INSPECTION DATE	
REBATE APPROVE OR DENIED	
SHOP LAKEWOOD COUPON	
TOTAL REBATE CREDIT EARNED	

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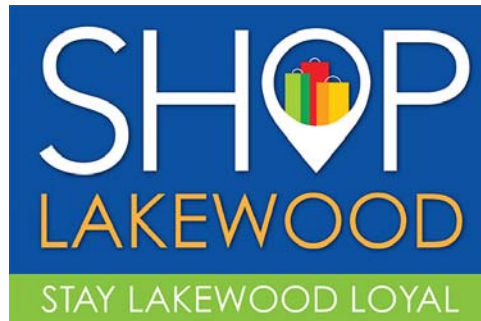
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## **Shop Lakewood and increase your rebate credit!**

Earn an additional \$2.50 credit for purchases between \$25.00 to \$49.99

Earn an additional \$5.00 credit for total purchases over \$50.00



### **Devices must be one of these items purchased from a Lakewood merchant:**

- ☐ Drip Irrigation/Micro Sprinkler Kit
- ☐ Hose End Timer
- ☐ Rotor Nozzles
- ☐ Rain Sensor or Moisture Sensor
- ☐ Irrigation Controller Equipped with Rain Sensor or Moisture Sensor
- ☐ Weather Based Irrigation Controller

**After installing your new devices, submit this coupon with  
your receipts and the rebate application to:**

Lakewood Department of Water Resources  
5050 Clark Avenue, Lakewood, CA 90712  
562-866-9771, extension 2700

***Coupon valid until June 30, 2019***