## Information and Application

City of BRANDN 2023 Water **Filter Rebate** Program Application



For more information, contact:

Water Filter Rebate Program phone: 204-729-2214 email: <u>waterfilterrebate@brandon.ca</u> web: <u>http://www.brandon.ca/water-treatment/lead-water-services-information</u>

Health questions about lead in drinking water contact Health Links Info Santé at phone: 1-888-315-9257 web: <u>http://www.gov.mb.ca/conservation/waterstewardship/odw/public-</u> info/fact\_sheets/factsheet\_lead.pdf.

## **Application Information**

The City of Brandon Water Filter Rebate Program gives eligible Brandon residents a rebate for purchasing an NSF/ANSI-53 certified water filter and/or filter cartridges. Homes built before the mid-1950s may have a lead water service connection. Using a filter is an affordable and effective temporary solution to reduce the amount of lead in tap water to a safe level. **The City of Brandon recommends the use of an NSF/ANSI-53 certified filter in homes where:** 

- The water service (the pipe that connects your home to the City water supply system) is made of lead; **OR**
- There are test results confirming lead at levels higher than current national drinking water guidelines of 0.005 milligrams per litre (mg/L).

### Restrictions

### • This application is for:

- $\circ$  those living in a single-family, duplex, triplex home or four-plex homes OR
- o small businesses
- For larger apartment complexes, businesses, or institutions, a water filter rebate program will be released later this fall.
- This rebate can be applied once per property, or once per suite if a duplex, triplex, or four-plex
- If you are a tenant, please contact the owner/landlord to coordinate who will be applying for the rebate. If the tenant is applying for the rebate, the owner/landlord must also sign the application

### How to Pick a Water Filter?

- The filter must be NSF/ANSI-53 certified for the removal of lead.
- Look for this logo on the packaging.
- You can purchase an eligible filter device at most home improvement stores.
- You can use any type of filter device that works for your property. This includes, but is not limited to:
   O Under Counter Filters
  - o Reverse Osmosis Filters
  - o Faucet Attached Filters
  - o Point of Entry Filters (where the water enters the property)
- To help you make an informed decision on the type of water filter you would like, you can reference
  - o http://www.nsf.org/
  - <u>http://www.waterfiltercomparisons.com/drinking-water-filters-reviews/</u>
  - $\circ$  Call a plumber for advice

# **Eligibility Requirements**

The City of Brandon will provide a **one-time** rebate of up to \$100 to assist eligible property owners/occupants in the purchase of an NSF/ANSI-53 certified water filter, or replacement filter cartridges. Rebate application must be received by the City of Brandon before December 15, 2023.

### Rebates will be processed following:

- confirmation there is a lead service connection, **OR**
- confirmation of test results which show lead at levels higher than national drinking water guidelines of 0.005 milligrams per litre (mg/L); AND
- submission of a completed application form provided by the City of Brandon; **AND**
- submission of the original receipt & packaging showing purchase of an NSF/ANSI-53 certified water filter. Copies can be given to you for your records upon request.

# How to Apply for the Water Filter Rebate?

- 1. **Purchase a water filtration device** that is NSF/ANSI-53 certified for the removal of lead. If you already have a water filter device that meets program requirements, you can purchase up to \$100 of filters for the device.
- 2. **Install the eligible filter device.** If using a faucet filter, the kitchen sink faucet is recommended.
- 3. Complete, sign and submit the Water Filter Rebate Program Application Form (attached below).
  - Can be submitted in person, or by mail with required documentation to: Water Filter Rebate Program 638 Princess Avenue
    - Brandon, MB
    - R7A 0P3
- 4. The City of Brandon will review the application to determine eligibility and completeness.
  - If the application is missing documentation, it will be returned and will not be processed until all the information is provided.
  - $\circ$   $\;$  If the application is denied, notification will be sent by mail.
- Rebates will be sent in the form of a cheque that is mailed out to the Applicant. Rebates may take up to two (2) months to process.

## Water Filter Rebate – APPLICATION FORM

Section 1 – APPLICANT INFORMATION - PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY	
	Owner/Landlord  Tenant
Applicant Name (First and Last)	If tenant, owner/landlord is also required to sign application
Section 2 – INSTALLATION ADDRESS	i chant, owner/analora is also required to sign appreation
Number: Street Address:	Postal Code:
Email Address:	Daytime Phone Number:
Section 3: WATER FILTER INFORMATION	
Device/cartridge brand name:	
Is the device or cartridge NSF/ANSI 053-certified for the removal of lead from drinking water?  VES  NO	
<ul> <li>Section 4: REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION</li> <li>You must include the following documents (<i>Please keep photocopies of all original documents submitted for your records</i>): <ul> <li>A completed and signed ORIGINAL application form</li> <li>ORIGINAL sales receipt(s), itemized with cost breakdowns of all charges for a water filtration device and/or replacement filter cartridge(s)</li> <li>ORIGINAL packaging for device or filters (will be returned to you upon request)</li> <li>CONFIRMATION of a lead service connection,</li> <li>attach photograph of lead service connection OR</li> <li>test results which show lead at levels higher than current national drinking water guidelines of 0.005 milligrams per litre (mg/L). If test was not done through the City of Brandon, attach results. Test Result</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
Section 5: DECLARATION	
Are you responsible for this property as the owner or tenant as indicated above?  YES  NO The filter purchased will be used as per the manufacturers recommendations in the property noted in the application? I YES  NO	
Section 6: APPLICANT SIGNATURES	
I/We certify that the information, statements and representations given in this application and any accompanying materials are true, accurate and complete in all respects. I/We understand that any false or deceptive information, statement or representation given in this application and any accompanying materials may result in the rejection or revocation of this application and any approval thereof and immediate demand by the City for full repayment of any rebate paid by the City. In addition to any other civil remedies available to the City, I/we agree that I/we shall immediately repay the City all rebate monies paid to me/us and shall indemnify the City for any and all costs it may occur, by reason of the giving or making such false or deceptive information, statement or misrepresentation in this application and any accompanying materials.	
Applicant Signature Date YYYY/MM/DD	Owner/Landlord Signature (if required) YYYY/MM/DD
Mail or deliver application and all required documents to: Water Filter Rebate Program 638 Princess Avenue, Brandon, MB, R7A 0P3 Incomplete applications, missing information, photo	Owner/Landlord Printed Name copies and sales receipts not meeting requirements will be
returned to you and the application will not be processed. Application must be received no later than Dec. 15, 2023	
	FFICE USE ONLY
Date Application Received	Received By:
City View #	Entered By:
Date Payment Processed       Processed By:         Questions about this application can be directed to: 204-729-2214 OR waterfilterrebate@brandon.ca	

## Terms and Conditions

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#### Administration

1. The Water Filter Rebate Program ("the Program") will be administered by the Engineering Department of the City of Brandon ("the City").

#### **Eligibility Criteria**

- 2. To be eligible for the Program, an Applicant's household must:
  - (a) be located in the City of Brandon;
  - (b) be a single family, duplex, triplex or four-plex home, or a small business (those requesting one rebate);
  - (c) have completed the installation of a National Sanitary Foundation/American National Standards Institute (ANSI) 053 ("NSF/ANSI-53") certified water filter device (as indicated on the receipt) and/or replacement cartridges; AND
  - (d) confirm that there is a lead service connection; **OR**
  - (e) confirmation of test results which show lead at levels higher than current national drinking water guidelines of 0.005 milligrams per litre (mg/L).

#### Restrictions

 Rebates will only be applied to the purchase of one NSF/ANSI-53 approved water filter device per household/business.

#### **Requirements of Participation**

- To participate in the Program, an Applicant must submit the following:
  - (a) a completed Application before Dec. 15, 2023;
  - (b) original dated sales receipt for the NSF/ANSI-53 approved water filter and/or replacement cartridges showing the make and model; **AND**
  - (c) original filter packaging.

#### Applicant's Responsibility

5. Each approved Applicant shall, and by signing this Application agrees to, assume all financial and other responsibility for the selection and installation of an NSF/ANSI-53 certified water filter and/or replacement cartridges, including preparatory plumbing work or plumbing repair. Each Applicant that has received a rebate shall reimburse the City where (1) the water filter and/or replacement cartridges have been returned to the point of purchase for cash or credit refund or exchange for a filter/cartridges that are ineligible for this Program; or (2) the water filter has not been installed.

#### **Conditions of Payment**

- 6. No payment of a rebate under this Program shall be made unless:
  - (a) installation of an NSF/ANSI-53 certified water filter device and/or replacement cartridges is complete; AND
  - (b) a Program application has been completed and approved in accordance with these Terms and Conditions. Rebates shall not exceed the purchase price of the NSF/ANSI-53 certified approved water filter, and/or replacement cartridges.

#### **Terms of Payment**

- (a) Where an Application is approved, rebate monies will be remitted by cheque mailed out to Applicant within approximately two months of receipt of a compliant Application.
- (b) The Applicant shall immediately repay the City all rebate monies should this application and/or any accompanying materials be determined to be falsified or containing deceptive information, statement or misrepresentation. Such repayment can be levied as a charge to the Applicant's water bill account, if necessary.

#### Information and Access Rights of City

8. Each approved Applicant hereby consents to and shall authorize the City and its personnel the right to use or take, including the right to make reproductions of, any information, photographs and digital images and other data concerning any installation under this Program and use same in any report and/or promotional and educational materials produced by and/or for the City.

#### Personal Information Use

9. The personal information on this form together with any attached documents is collected and used to assess your eligibility for the Water Filter Rebate Program, to process your payment where eligible, and for aggregate statistical reporting.

#### **Disclaimer and Release**

10. The City makes no representations or warranties, express or implied, relating to the NSF/ANSI-53 certified water filter devices and/or replacement filter cartridges or their availability, and by submitting an application, each Applicant agrees to completely waive and release the City, its officials, officers, employees, agents and representatives from and against any claims or liabilities whatsoever, including without limitation, any damages, costs and liability for any and all loss, injury or damage to any property or person, whether direct, special, consequential, indirect or of any other nature, in connection with or related to the installation or use of the NSF/ANSI-53 certified water filter device and/or replacement filter cartridges or participation in the Program.

#### **Termination of Program**

11. This Program is subject to termination or other restrictions of the terms and conditions by the City of Brandon.