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## Preparing for Re-Opening: Stagnant Water & Health Risks

# With Buildings Preparing to Reopen, It's Time to Think About Stagnant Water and Health Risks

Building closures during a pandemic reduce water use, leading to stagnant water inside plumbing. This water may be unsafe to drink or for other personal or commercial purposes. CDC and EPA recommend that building managers and owners become informed and take necessary steps to flush the building plumbing before reopening.



What do we do when reopening our building?

1. Flush plumbing with fresh water to remove stagnant water and associated contaminants.

2. Plan a systematic approach to ensure all contaminants are removed from the intricate piping infrastructure, and varied fature types\*.

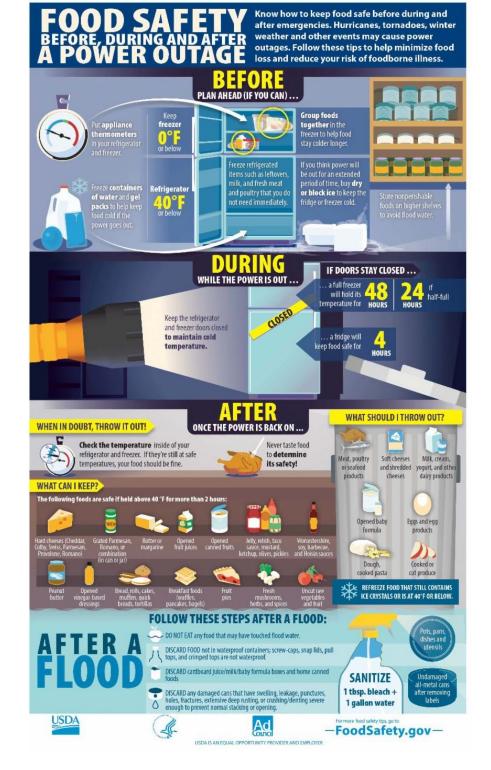
3. Follow guidelines from CDC, EPA and your state and local health departments. This is essentiall

\*The degree to which flushing helps reduce

With many buildings preparing to reopen their doors, the Maryland Department of Health, University of Maryland Extension, University of Maryland School of Public Health, and Maryland Department of the Environment have come up with tips and resources in regard to stagnant water.

For more information, please see the tips and resources sheet.

### **Food Safety During A Power Outage**



For more information, please see the click here.

### **Did You Know**



**Did you know...Gardening information is available during this pandemic?** The International Association of Horticultural Producers (AIPH) has published information on "How gardening will keep you well during the coronavirus pandemic." For more information, please see the datasheet.

Did you know...Our 4-H Youth Development Program has found some distance learning websites? To keep up with posts about some activities

and information, please see our <u>Facebook Page</u>, <u>News & Updates Page</u>, and our <u>Things to do at Home Page</u>.

Did you know...The Consumer Financial Protection Bureau

(CFPB) is working with the @FHFA and @HUDgov to assist homeowners and renters during COVID-19? Visit the new unified Mortgage and Housing Assistance site for the latest information on how to get help.





Did you know...The Food Equity **Council has Food Resources for Food** Assistance? For more information click here.

Did you know...Our EFNEP team has some useful resources during this time? Check out their site for more information.



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