

# How Should I Use My Water?

Always use **NSF certified** filters for **drinking and cooking**.



*Look for **NSF 53** and **NSF 42** filters which are certified to remove lead.*

- Run **cold water** through NSF certified filters. Do **NOT** run hot water through filters.



Without the filter, you **CAN**:

- Wash your hands
- Wash your dishes
- Shower and Bathe
- Wash your clothes
- Water your lawn



Before drinking or cooking, flush in bypass mode with **cold water** for at least **2-3 minutes**.



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# Daily Flushing Reminder

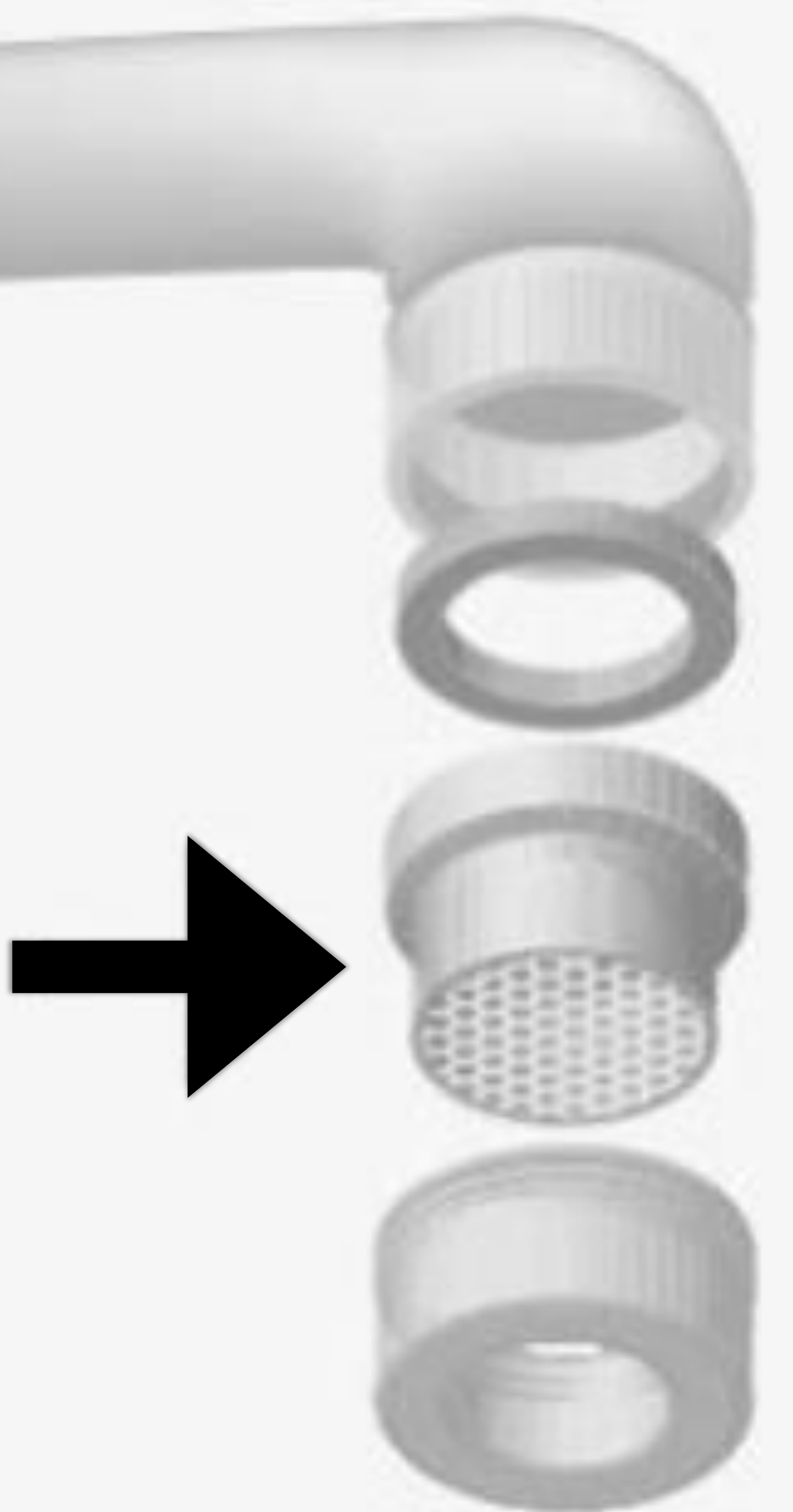
If your water has **NOT** been used for **6 hours or more**, flush your home's plumbing by turning on **at least one cold water** tap for **2-3 minutes**.



Without the filter, you **CAN**:

- **Shower**
- **Do Laundry**
- **Wash dishes**
- **Water your lawn**

You should also routinely clean your aerators (also called screens) and replace those in poor condition. New aerators are available at most hardware stores and online.



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