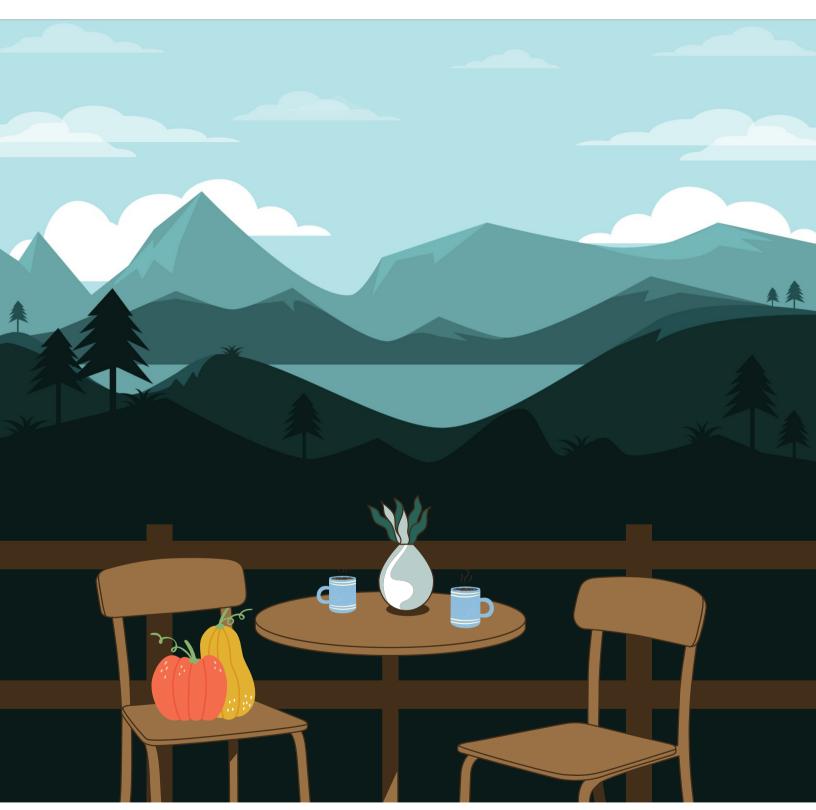


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Maintaining Your Water Softener: Keeping Your System Working Longer



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How to Maintain a Water Softener

The core task in maintaining your water softener is ensuring it always has the right amount of salt.

How Often Do You Need to Add Salt to a Water Softener?

For most water softeners, salt is a critical ingredient to the process of removing hard water minerals from your water. Your salt should be:

- The correct type of salt.
- Free from issues like salt bridging or mushing.
- Refilled depending on your schedule.

With the correct level and salt type, your water softener can help produce cleaner, soft water. A regularly scheduled salt delivery based on your specific needs can reduce inefficiencies and inconvenience for you and your family.

How Many Times Should a Water Softener Regenerate?

Regeneration is a cycle in a water softener that recharges the resin beads that remove calcium and magnesium from your home's water. Many systems regenerate on a fixed time interval or based on how much water has flowed through the system. A regeneration interval of every 4 to 7 days is most ideal.

How Often Should a Water Softener be Cleaned?

A water softener in daily use typically requires no special attention other than keeping the salt tank filled. Occasionally, however, your system may require sanitization under one of the following conditions:

- When your system is first starting up.
- After standing idle for a week or more.
- If you are on a private water supply.
- If you begin to experience off-tastes and odors in your water.

Here are a few guidelines to keep in mind:

- Use only mild soap and warm water when cleaning the exterior of the conditioner. Never use harsh, abrasive cleaning compounds or those which contain acid, such as vinegar, bleach and similar products.
- Do not place heavy objects on top of the salt storage tank or timer cover.
- A periodic clean-out of the salt storage tank will help keep your system at peak operating efficiency. Do it at least every two years when the salt supply is low.
 Your water softener supplier can help with any necessary regular maintenance of your softening system.

How Do You Know If Your Water Softener is Working Properly?

If you continue to experience hard water issues, it is likely that your softening system needs some fine-tuning. These hard water difficulties may look like:

- Reappearance of buildup around faucets and showerheads.
- Hard-to-clean soap scum on shower doors.
- Water spots on dishes.
- Less lather when using soaps.

Lifespan and Replacement of Water Softeners

What is the lifespan of a water softener?

A high-quality water softener can produce soft water, if well maintained, for decades. Your softener can create softer and better water for you for a long time, as long as you set it up for success with regular maintenance, as you would any of your other appliances.

Lesser Known Benefits of Adding a Water Softener to Your Home

You may have heard soft water is better for you, but did you know it's also better for your home? Water softening can benefit your home, health and wallet. From improving your skin to protecting your water-using appliances, a water softener can make a difference in your life, and even the environment. See how installing a soft water system is beneficial for you and your home.

Health And Wellness

- Your hair looks shinier and feels silkier after a shower
- Your skin feels softer with less irritation and dryness
- Softer, cleaner laundry

Home Appliances

- Reduces mineral deposits from accumulating in your dishwasher, hot water heater, washing machine and pipes
- Minimizes limescale around kitchen sinks, faucets, bathroom tiles, shower doors and utensils
- Removes rust stains from toilets, sinks and tubs
- Reduces mineral deposits that leave dishes looking spotty or streaky

Environmental

- Circulates water easier, taking up less energy
- Minimizes water waste
- Reduces the amount of hard water circulating back into the sewer

Cost Savings

- Keeps your hot water heater, boiler and other appliances working more efficiently, lowering energy costs
- Reduces limescale buildup and spending on cleaning supplies
- Saves money on repairs and maintenance by reducing deposit buildup

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How Does Water Work In Your Home



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There are two ways water works in your home – *as drinking water and as working water*. You can find an all-in-one solution to treat all the water in your house, or take a closer look at the water problems individually.

Clean, Fresh-Tasting Water. It's most common to treat the water you use for drinking and cooking with a reverse osmosis system. A drinking water system for tap water is designed to deliver purified water straight from the tap.

Soften Your Working Water: Working water makes up most of the water usage in a typical home. A water softening system will improve the quality of the water throughout your home, while also extending the life of your appliances.

To make the water in your home work for you, and to enjoy better-tasting drinking water and softer working water, contact your local Culligan Man to schedule an appointment for your in-home water test.





If you are a Greencastle resident, or just passing through, be sure to check out our **NEW** billboard located on Route 11 South, near the Pizza Hut!

How to Easily REMOVE HARD WATER STAINS Article from Good Housekeeping

How to remove hard water stains from glass

You'll need a basin that's large enough to submerge your glassware in vinegar. Warm up vinegar and pour it into the basin.

Immerse the glasses in the vinegar for 10 minutes, cover all sides. After 10 minutes, remove the glasses and sprinkle a generous amount of baking soda directly onto the glass.

Rub the baking soda gently with your fingers to remove the stains, rinse and buff dry.

How to remove hard water stains from shower walls and bathtubs

Grab a spray bottle and mix equal parts of water and vinegar. Spritz the solution onto affected surfaces, let sit for at least 15 minutes, then wipe clean.

How to remove hard water stains from showerheads

To clean your shower head, dip a toothbrush in white vinegar and scrub the water jets, then wipe it clean and turn on the jets to blast out the clogging minerals. (While you can soak the showerhead in vinegar, be wary that doing this could damage some finishes.)

How to remove hard water stains from sinks

Make your chrome sink fixtures look polished again by using a solution of 50/50 water and vinegar.

Wrap the fixture: Dip a cloth into the mixture, wrap it around the stained item and leave it for up to 10 minutes.

Scrub and rinse: After letting it sit, give it a scrub, then rinse and buff dry. Repeat if needed.

Soak the aerator: If your sink has an aerator (a removable screen), unscrew it, soak it in vinegar and scrub with a toothbrush to remove the mineral build-up.

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The products are reliable and the filtered/treated water we use, especially for cooking, drinking, and making coffee, is safer and bacteria free.

> Conrad & Angelika M. Lexington, VA



I wanted to give praises to the technician that did our install yesterday; he did a great job! My wife praised that the gentleman answered all of her questions, was very professional, and did a great job! Thank you!



Everything was professional and done quick. I'm so glad I used this company. And wish I had called them sooner, the water Is so much better now, it made a world of difference.

> John C. Inwood, WV

Do you have 30 seconds?

Some of our customers may have recently been given this *new* hand-out when they received service or an installation from one of our offices. This program is designed for our customers to provide feedback shortly after their service, while it is still fresh in their mind, giving us an opportunity to know about the service from the technicians. We are committed to providing our customers with world-class service and take all comments into consideration to help improve your experience and to grow as a company.

If you receive one, please take the opportunity to let us know how we are doing. We appreciate your feedback!



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14 Easy Tips for **Drinking More Water** Article from Culligan.com

Here are a few simple hydration hacks to make it easier to work water into your busy schedule:

- #1: Choose Reusable Water Bottles You Love
- #2: Replace Sugary Drinks
- #3: Drink Throughout the Day
- #4: Put Water in the Fridae
- #5: Make Your Own Healthy Flavoring
- #6: Set Drinking Water Alarms
- #7: Create a Routine
- #8: Drink With Meals
- #9: Start a Hydration Challenge
- #10: Drink When You Exercise
- #11: Drink Before You Get Thirsty
- #12: Know Your Dehydration Risks
- #13: Set Simple Goals
- #14: Find What Works





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