

Conserve Water



The responsibility of a greener environment rests on all of us.

Below are some greener living at home tips to help you conserve water at home.

- Never pour water down the drain when there may be another use for it. Use it to water your indoor plants or garden.
- Make sure your home is leak-free. Check your water meter when you are certain that no water is being used. If the reading changes, you have a leak!
- Repair dripping faucets by replacing washers. One drop per second wastes 2,700 gallons of water per year.
- Take shorter showers. Replace your showerhead with an ultra-low-flow version.
- Do not let the water run while brushing your teeth, washing your face, shaving or lathering up.

You are always home in Pinecrest!



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How to connect to the Village's New Water Main



Ensuring safe, potable water
Learn and Get Informed



This brochure is a guideline on the steps that must be taken to connect to the newly installed Village water main



Certified for Drinking

We are pleased to inform you that the recently constructed water main extension abutting your property is certified for drinking and ready for your connection.

The Village of Pinecrest will not require you to immediately connect to the water system, as Miami-Dade County has agreed to allow residents a period of up to ten (10) years from the completion of the project in which to connect.

You must connect to the water main if....

- The Florida Department of Health discovers a failure or contamination of the property's private water well.
- Construction of a residence on a previously vacant property.
- Sale of the property.
- Substantial improvement of the residence which equals or exceeds 25% of the existing gross floor area.



Installing Your Meter



To request a new water meter for your home...

A new meter needs to be installed by the Miami-Dade Water and Sewer Department. In order to have the meter installed, the property owner must visit or call one of the following offices:

Miami-Dade Water and Sewer Department
New Business Division
3575 South LeJeune Road
Coral Gables, Florida 33142
(786) 268-5200

Miami-Dade Permitting and Inspection Center
11805 Southwest 26 Street
Miami, Florida 33175
(786) 591-7966

A Connection Charge of \$486.50 is applicable and includes the water meter.

The property owner or the plumber will need to coordinate the installation of the meter in order to minimize water service disruption to the house.

Hire a Licensed Plumber

If you choose to connect to the water service, you will need to hire a licensed plumber to install a service line from the meter box at your property line to your home. The plumber is required to obtain a permit from the Pinecrest Building and Planning Department at a cost of \$146.65.

Please refer to [A Consumer's Guide to Choosing the Right Contractor](#) brochure available at the Pinecrest Building and Planning Department or online at www.pinecrest-fl.gov to avoid hiring an unlicensed contractor and paying twice for your improvements.

You are allowed to keep your well for irrigation purposes. You may also choose to use the County water via your new water main connection for irrigation. Any irrigation piping must be placed inside your property and must not affect Pinecrest owned portions in the public right-of-way.

Please note that a separate irrigation meter is not necessary because sewage treatment fees do not apply to properties not connected to the Miami-Dade County sewer system.

Reduce Your Homeowner's Insurance

If your property is located within 1,000 feet of a new fire hydrant, you may qualify for a homeowner's insurance rate reduction. For more information, you should contact your insurance agent or provider to inquire.

For more information, please call us at (305) 234-2121