



**SOQUEL CREEK
WATER DISTRICT**

Turf Replacement Rebate Application

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Soquel Creek Water District (**SqCWD**) offers rebates to customers that replace existing high-water use lawn/turf with low-water use plants. Replacement of lawn/turf with synthetic grass does not qualify for rebate. Please see our website at www.soquelcreekwater.org for more information on our turf replacement rebate or call (831) 475-8500 for assistance.

This rebate requires a pre-approval inspection and a post-installation inspection by SqCWD personnel. Please read the Rebate Program Requirements on the backside of this Application. All rebate applications require the signature of the property owner (if different than the applicant).

Indicate the total square feet of turf replaced, the installation date of the new landscape, and the total purchase price of materials and licensed landscaper labor (excluding sales tax).

Complete the Account & Applicant Information below.

| Rebate Type | Rebate Amount | Square Feet of Turf Replaced | Installation Date of New Landscape | Total Price of Materials and Qualifying Labor |
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| Turf Replacement Rebate | Up to \$2 per square foot of turf removed | | | |

Account & Applicant Information

Type of Account: Single-Family Multifamily Commercial Institutional Other

Property address (where turf is replaced)

City

Zip Code

Applicant name

Name on water account (if different from applicant)

Account Number

Assessor's Parcel Number (APN)

Applicant mailing address (if different from property address)

City

State

Zip Code

Daytime phone number

Alternative phone number

e-mail address (optional)

Complete both sides of application.

See other side for rebate program rules, requirements and signature.

Turf Replacement Rebate Application: Rules & Requirements

1. Rebate application must be submitted within 90 days of item(s) purchase. An original, dated sales receipt must have itemized cost(s) form of payment and name of vendor. If you need the original receipt(s) returned, please enclose a self-addressed, stamped envelope with your rebate application. For online purchases, a print out of the final invoice and an original packing or delivery slip is required. Purchases of used materials do not qualify for rebate. To be eligible for reimbursement of labor costs, include original invoice from a C-27 certified landscaper or installer. Costs associated with unlicensed labor and self-performed labor are not eligible for rebate.
2. All rebate applications must be signed by the legal property owner.
3. This rebate requires a pre-approval inspection by Soquel Creek Water District (**SqCWD**) staff. SqCWD will provide the applicant with a pre-approval form that must be signed by the applicant and provided to the SqCWD representative at the time the pre-approval inspection is completed. **Do not remove existing turf until after the pre-approval inspection.**
4. The existing turf area must have an in-ground irrigation system in place.
5. The existing irrigation system must be replaced with low-volume drip irrigation or removed.
6. One-quarter or 25% of the re-landscaped area must be covered at plant maturity with low-water use plants. Unplanted areas must be landscaped with permeable hardscape or covered in at least two inches of mulch.
7. Re-landscaping must be completed within 120 days of the pre-approval inspection.
8. The re-landscaping project must be inspected by SqCWD staff before the rebate credit is approved.
9. The maximum turf replacement rebate for single-family residential customers is **\$2,000 per fiscal year** (July 1 - June 30). Multifamily residential and commercial/institutional customers can receive a maximum rebate amount of **\$10,000 per fiscal year**.
10. The turf replacement rebate may not be combined with the drip irrigation retrofit rebate.
11. No rebate will exceed the purchase price of the item(s) and qualifying labor. Sales tax is not rebated.
12. The rebated equipment must be installed at an existing SqCWD service address and must be installed prior to rebate request. New development is not eligible for rebates.
13. Rebates are applied as a credit that will appear on a subsequent water bill (see exceptions below). The account must be in good standing to receive a credit. Upon closing an account, any rebate credit balance will be mailed to the account holder. Allow four weeks from the date of rebate approval for credit processing.
14. You will be issued a check in lieu of a credit if: (1) your SqCWD water service is in the name of your Home Owner's Association or Condominium Board and you are the legal property owner of your dwelling unit; (2) you are the legal property owner (but not the account holder) and you purchased the rebated item(s) for your rental property; or (3) you are the tenant of a rental property but are not the account holder.
15. Installation of any rebated device, appliance or fixture is the sole responsibility of the applicant, as is determination of the adequacy and compatibility of the existing plumbing system.
16. The applicant is solely responsible for the proper disposal of all materials associated with the installation of rebated fixtures and equipment and the SqCWD assumes no responsibility or liability. Please recycle materials.
17. SqCWD does not endorse specific brands, products or dealers; nor does it guarantee materials or workmanship; acceptance of such is customer's responsibility.
18. SqCWD assumes no responsibility or liability for any damage that may occur to an applicant's property as a result of participation in this program. Due to circumstances beyond its control, SqCWD cannot guarantee that installation of rebated fixtures or measures will result in lower utility costs.
19. The IRS requires that the Soquel Creek Water District issue IRS Form 1099 to all rebate program participants receiving \$600 or more per calendar year. In order to generate an accurate 1099, The District requires that rebate program participants submit IRS Form W-9 to the District when rebates are anticipated in excess of \$600 or more per calendar year. The State of California Revenue and Taxation Code, Sections 17138.2 and 24038.2, exempts turf removal rebates from state taxation, however they are still subject to federal taxation and should be reported on your federal income tax return.
20. SqCWD may at any time, modify, suspend, or terminate this program without prior written notice.
21. Incomplete or illegible applications will be denied.

I have read, understand, and agree to the Rebate Program Rules & Requirements as stated above.

Applicant Signature _____ **Date** _____

Property Owner's Signature _____ **Date** _____
(if different than applicant)

After completing BOTH sides of this application, mail application and original receipt(s) to:

Soquel Creek Water District P.O. Box 1550 Capitola, CA 95010 Please note: If you have received more than \$600 in rebates during the current calendar year, also include a completed IRS W-9 form.

District Use Only: Application approved Total rebate Amount granted \$_____ Application denied

Staff Reviewer _____ Date: _____

Reason for Denial: _____

Inspection by: _____ Waived Date: _____