

Re-Occupancy Bulletin

Flushing Stagnant Water



Stagnant Water Can Pose A Serious Public Health Risk

Turning on the water after it has been stagnant can pose a public health risk if not managed properly. Follow [CDC](#) & [EPA](#) guidelines on proper flushing procedures.

During stay-at-home orders, buildings experienced little to no water usage resulting in stagnant water within the building's water system. Stagnant water can lead to:

- Growth of pathogens such as legionella
- Leaching of metals (lead & copper)
- Accumulation of sediments
- Growth of biofilms
- Taste & odor issues
- Accumulation of disinfection byproduct

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Hillmann can perform water testing after flushing & provide additional re-occupancy guidance.