



ICI Awards Program:



In order to qualify for the following awards, one must complete the requirements outlined below. Please note that where water saving devices already exist and are functioning properly, there is no need to replace them, and they can be counted towards the level of water efficiency award that you are interested in.

Bronze Water Efficiency Award: Complete the immediate recommendations or “Bronze Recommendations” found within the report. Generally this involves the following:

- No leaks and make a commitment to test for leaks on a regular basis
- Low flow faucet aerators in frequently used bathrooms
- Dual flow faucet aerators in kitchens
- Low flow showerheads in frequently used showers
- At minimum a 2 litre displacement devices into the toilet tanks of conventional toilets, assuming that they will still function properly with them in place (plastic pop or juice bottles function well for this purpose)
- Permanent hose nozzles for any hoses on the premises that are used regularly
- Verbal assurance that behavioural habits of staff, and where applicable and possible, visitors and customers conserve water wherever possible (eg turning off tap, shower when it is not in use)
- Have contacted the SCRCD to install a meter for the building

Silver Water Efficiency Award: Complete the “Silver Recommendations” found within the report. Generally this involves the following:

- No leaks and make a commitment to test for leaks on a regular basis
- Low flow faucet aerators in all bathrooms
- Dual flow faucet aerators in all kitchens
- Low flow showerheads in all showers that are used
- At least half of the toilets on the premise are dual-flush toilets or under 7 litres per flush
- Permanent hose nozzles on all hoses that are used on the premises
- Verbal assurance that behavioural habits of staff, and where applicable and possible, visitors and customers conserve water wherever possible (eg turning off tap, shower when it is not in use. This can be done through placing prompts in appropriate places (as close as possible in time and place to where the action is occurring)
- Have a water meter installed on the premise

Gold Water Efficiency Award: Complete the “Gold Recommendations” found within the report. Generally this involves the following:

- No leaks and make a commitment to test for leaks on a regular basis
- Low flow faucet aerators in all bathrooms
- Dual flow faucet aerators in all kitchens
- Low flow showerheads in all showers
- All of the toilets on the premise are dual-flush toilets or under 7 litres per flush
- Using hose nozzles on all hoses on the premises
- Installation of water efficient devices as is appropriate (eg. dishwashers, clothes washers, closed loop Hvac system, etc.). However, please note that water efficient devices are not appropriate in every circumstance (i.e where a certain volume of water is required for health or volume purposes such as cleaning equipment or janitorial sinks)
- Verbal assurance that behavioural habits of staff, and where applicable and possible, visitors and customers conserve water wherever possible (eg turning off tap, shower when it is not in use). This can be done through placing prompts in appropriate places (as close in time and place to where the action is occurring
- Have a water meter installed on the premise
- Harvesting rainwater wherever appropriate for various uses (watering plants etc.)
- If landscaping that needs to be watered is a component of the building, installing an effective and water efficient irrigation system that is regularly updated or letting the lawn go golden, or converting at least half of the lawn/shrubbery to water wise plants that do not need to be regularly watered.

Platinum Water Efficiency Award: For this highly prestigious award, complete the “Gold Recommendations” found within the report and also the “Platinum Recommendations”. Generally this involves the following:

- Completing all of the “Gold Recommendations”
- Ensuring that all landscaping is water-wise (adhering to the principles of xeriscape), that is it does not need to be watered once it is established except for sparingly throughout the hot and dry summer months
- Finding a way to recycle water on site (usually through plumbing) eg: grey water systems
- Demonstrating innovative and responsible water use on site