

# Private Well PFAS Testing and Mitigation Pilot Program

## Water Treatment Systems Eligible for Rebate

### WHO CAN APPLY?

Only property owners may apply for a rebate. Rebates may be issued to property owners or their contractor.

### WHAT IS ELIGIBLE?

Rebates are only for treatment systems that address PFAS. Carefully review **Eligibility Criteria for Rebates**. You must apply for your rebate within six months of getting your water test results. Results must be 10 nanograms per liter (ng/l) or greater of PFOA or PFOS to be eligible for a rebate.

### CAN I GET A REBATE?

	YES	NO
<b>PFAS Whole-House Systems or point-of-entry treatment systems (POETs, up to \$5,000)</b>		
Carbon filtration (GAC)	✓	
Ion exchange	✓	
<b>PFAS point-of-use treatment systems (POUTs) on drinking water outlets (up to \$1,000)</b>		
GAC	✓	
Ion exchange	✓	
Reverse osmosis (RO)	✓	
<b>Connection to Public Water Supply (up to \$10,000)</b>		
Connection costs and fees	✓	
Pressure relief valve and/or water heater expansion tank if needed	✓	
<b>Non-PFAS Water Treatment</b>		
Pumps		✗
Pressure tanks		✗
Bottled water		✗
Water softener		✗
Water treatment that is not part of a PFAS water treatment system		✗
<b>PFAS Water Testing</b>		
One test after installing a system	✓	
<b>Treatment System Operation, Maintenance and Taxes</b>		
Filter replacements, repairs, testing and system maintenance contracts, extended warranties, sales tax, and non-PFAS treatment related costs		✗

## Remember

Your water treatment system must be maintained to treat PFAS in your drinking water. Budget for your maintenance costs and talk to your water treatment contractor about a service contract or maintenance plan for your system.

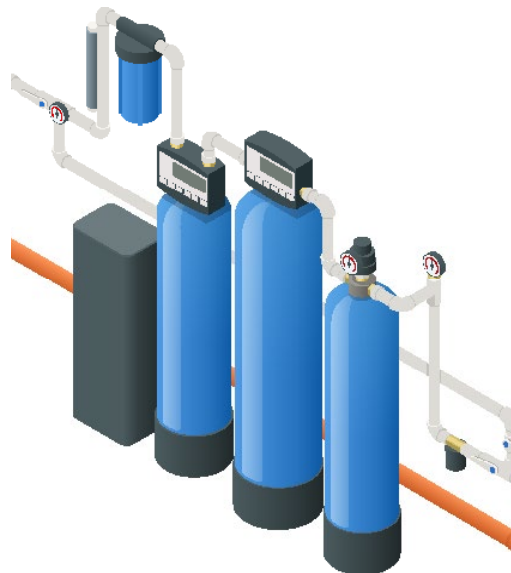
Connection to a public water supply is always a better option if available. Homeowner maintenance is not required to reduce PFAS when you are connected to a routinely monitored public water system.

## Rebate-Eligible Treatment Systems

This rebate program will only cover PFAS treatment systems listed on **Eligibility Criteria for Rebates**. Please carefully review these requirements with your water treatment contractor before you install your system.

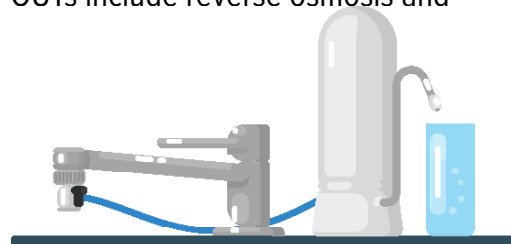
### PFAS Point of Entry Treatment (POET) Systems

Up to \$5,000 is available for carbon filtration or ion exchange whole-house PFAS water treatment systems, including labor, equipment, and one-time PFAS testing to make sure the system is working.



### PFAS Point of Use Treatment (POUT) Systems

Up to \$1,000 is available for PFAS treatment systems at the tap or where drinking water is dispensed, including labor, equipment and one-time PFAS testing to make sure the system is working. Eligible POUTs include reverse osmosis and carbon filtration.



### Connection to a Public Water Supply

Up to \$10,000 is available for costs associated with connecting a home to a public water supply. To connect to an available water main, a qualified utility contractor must be retained to ensure all county-specific permitting, regulations, and procedures are followed.

**APPLY AT: [health.ny.gov/PrivateWellPFAS](https://health.ny.gov/PrivateWellPFAS)**





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**PRIVATE WELL PFAS (PER- AND POLYFLUOROALKYL SUBSTANCES) TESTING  
AND MITIGATION REBATE PILOT PROGRAM**

## Eligibility Criteria for Rebates

To be considered eligible for a rebate for PFAS mitigation the following criteria must be met:

- The applicant requesting a rebate **must** be the owner of the property. Tenants are not eligible to apply for a rebate.
  
- The property cannot have been offered or provided alternate water supply, temporary or permanent, by NYSDEC, US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), or a responsible third party as part of a remedial program.

The applicant must have been confirmed by New York State as eligible for a mitigation rebate in writing. Eligibility is based on well testing results that show PFAS concentration levels at or above the maximum contaminant levels (MCLs) established by the New York State Department of Health. Test results must be collected through either:

- The Private Well PFAS Testing and Mitigation Rebate Pilot Program; or
- The Suffolk County Department of Health Services on or after January 1, 2025.

### **Eligible costs associated with a service connection to a public water supply:**

To connect to an available water main, a qualified utility contractor must be retained to ensure all county-specific permitting, regulations, and procedures are followed. Eligible costs and associated connection fees will be reviewed and approved in communication with the local water authority providing service. Professional engineering services are eligible for reimbursement if needed for design purposes.

In addition to service connection costs and connection fees, a pressure relief valve (PRV) and a water heater expansion tank are eligible for reimbursement, as needed.

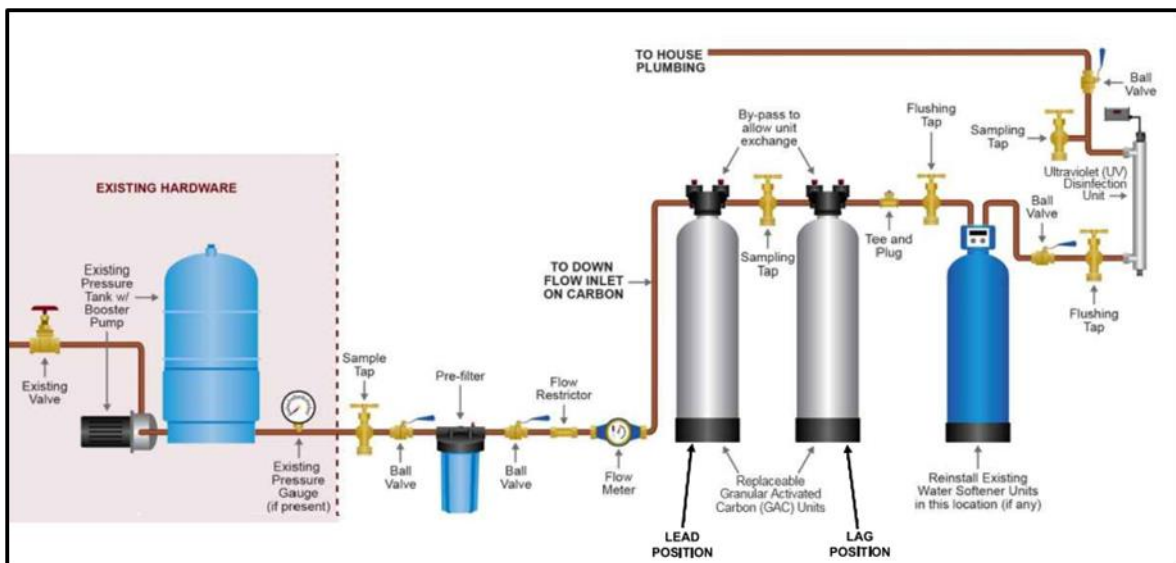
The maximum rebate for a service connection is \$10,000 per property.

**Eligible, system specific costs for a Point of Entry Treatment (POET) system are described below:**

- Up to two (2) tanks/vessels of varying dimensions (e.g., 14x42", 12x52", or 10x54") with by-pass capabilities to allow for tank exchange. Approved media include:
  - Granular Activated Carbon (GAC); or
  - Ion exchange resin
- System must have pre- and post-media tank sampling ports
  - Up to three (3) sampling ports are eligible
- One (1) flow restrictor before GAC media to slow flow to 5 gallons per minute or lower
- One (1) sediment pre-filter
- One (1) flow meter
- One (1) ultraviolet (UV) disinfection unit
- One (1) Ground Fault Circuit Interrupter (GFCI) outlet
- Electrician labor to install GFCI for UV unit
- Up to (4) shutoff ball valves
- Copper or PEX piping
- Fittings
- Labor costs for installation of a treatment system
- Professional engineering services are eligible for reimbursement if needed for design purposes on a Transient Non-Community Public Water Supply improvement application to county health departments. *Note: only applicable to Transient Non-Community Public Water Supplies.*
- Costs of laboratory analysis for post-installation PFAS sampling (EPA Method 537.1 Version 2 or EPA Method 533)

The maximum rebate for a POET system is \$5,000 per property. Below is a schematic of a typical POET system for reference.

**Typical Point-of-Entry Treatment (POET) System**



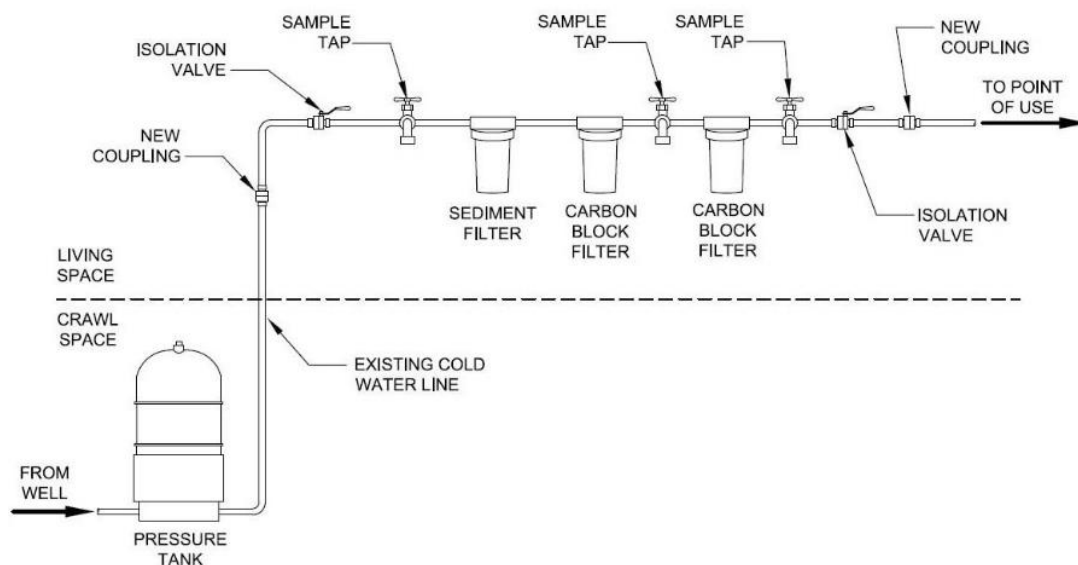
In specific circumstances, Point of Use Treatment (POUT) systems are eligible for a rebate. Up to \$1,000 will be reimbursed to cover the installation of POUT systems. Typically, a rebate for a POUT system would only apply where a POET system to treat the entire home or business cannot be installed due to space limitations. Transient non-community systems are not eligible to apply for a POUT system.

**Eligible, system specific costs for a Point of Use Treatment (POUT) system are described below:**

- GAC units at a property are eligible, provided the post-treatment sampling analysis confirmed mitigation of PFAS contaminants below established Maximum Contaminant Levels (MCLs)
- System must have pre- and post-treatment sampling ports
- Up to three (3) sampling ports are eligible
- One (1) sediment pre-filter
- Up to (2) isolation (shutoff ball) valves
- Copper or PEX piping
- Fittings
- Labor costs for installation of treatment system
- Costs of laboratory analysis for post-installation PFAS sampling (EPA Method 537.1 Version 2 or EPA Method 533)

The maximum rebate for a POUT system is \$1,000 per property. Below is a schematic of a typical POUT system for reference.

**Typical Point-of-Use Treatment (POUT) System**



**Below are ineligible costs that are not covered by the POET or POUT system rebate:**

- Bottled water
- Water softener/ neutralizer
- Pressure tanks
- Booster pumps
- POET or POUT operation and maintenance costs following installation
- Any expenses that are not appropriately documented
- Government permit fees, including but not limited to: fees assessed for building permits, zoning permits, construction compliance certifications, and floodplain disturbance permits
- Interest and late fees
- Fines and penalties
- Sales tax payment
- Non-essential site beautification
- Non-essential interior plumbing changes
- Administrative work or mitigation system installation oversight conducted by a professional engineer
- Sampling and analytical costs associated with non-PFAS treatment