

How to tell if your toilet was manufactured before 2004

If you don't know how old your toilet is, you can still determine if it qualifies for the Free Toilet Program based on:

- the year when your home or building was built,
- the manufacture date stamp, or
- the toilet's flush volume.

Follow the steps below to determine if your toilet qualifies:

Step 1: When was your house or building built?

- 2004 or later – Your toilet does not qualify because toilets installed in newer homes are already designed to save water.
- Before 2004 – Go to step 2

Step 2: Go to the toilet and look for the manufacture date, the flush volume, or both. See below for examples of where to find this information.

Step 3: Were you able to find the manufacture date of the toilet?

- No – Go to step 4
- Yes – If the date is before 2004, your toilet qualifies for a free replacement. If the date is 2004 or later, it does not qualify for a free replacement because newer toilets are designed to save water.

Step 4: Were you able to find the flush volume (also called gallons per flush or gpf)?

- No – If you are unable to find the flush volume or manufacture date, and your house or building was built before 2004, your toilet is likely older, and qualifies for a free replacement.
- Yes – If the flush volume is 1.6 gpf or more, it qualifies (only when building age and manufacture date are unknown.) If the flush volume is 1.28 gpf or less, it does not qualify for a free replacement because your toilet is already considered to be one that saves water.

Examples of where to find information about your toilet

Manufacture date

The manufacture date, if present, is often stamped inside the tank on the back wall or on the bottom of the tank lid.

Bottom of the tank lid



This toilet was manufactured in 2002 and would qualify for a free replacement.

Flush volume

The flush volume or gallons per flush (gpf) tells you how much water your toilet uses. Knowing the flush volume can help determine a toilet's age because certain flush volumes were only manufactured during a specific time period.

The flush volume, if present, is often stamped behind the toilet seat on the toilet bowl, or inside the tank on the back wall.

Behind the seat



This toilet has a flush volume of 1.28 gpf and does not qualify for a free replacement because the toilet is already considered to be one that saves water.

Inside the toilet tank



This toilet has a flush volume of 1.6 gpf and would only qualify if there was no information about the date it was installed and your home or building was built before 2004.