

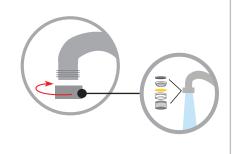
# **Properly Used Filters Protect Flint Residents from Lead in Water**

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#### Installing Your Filter & Replacement Cartridges

**STEP 1:** Remove aerator from faucet.



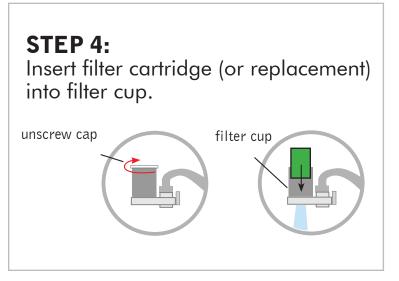
## **STEP 2:**

Determine if you need an adaptor. Some faucet mounted base units require an adaptor. See filter manual for more details.

# STEP 3:

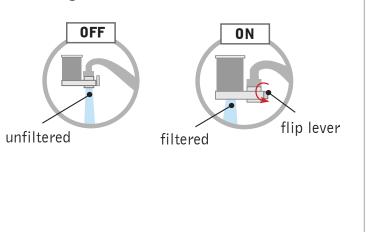
Attach the base system to the faucet. To attach, some units are twist-on and some are snap-on.





## STEP 5:

Run cold water through the filter for 5 minutes to flush and activate the cartridge.



STRENDER NSF Look for the NSF/ANSI 53 Certification Mark to reduce lead.

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# **Using Filters**

- DO check if it is NSF Certified to remove lead.
- DO run only cold water through the filter.
- DO drink & brush teeth with filtered water.
- ► DO check indicator often.

# **Remember:**

- DON'T cook with unfiltered water.
- DON'T run hot water through the filter.
- Boiling Water DOES NOT
  Remove Lead

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Read the report on filter effectiveness at https://www.epa.gov/flint/filter-study

# Change replaceable cartridge when indicator\* turns red (-).

- green=cartridge working
- yellow=change cartridge soon
- red=change cartridge now
- \* Indicators will vary. See your filter manual.

#### What else should I do?

#### **Every morning**

Run unfiltered cold water for at least 5 minutes to flush the pipes.





#### Every week

Clean the aerators in all faucets and clean the screens in your water filters.





remove filter unit, turn up-side-down and gently tap out any debris after use

