

Got a water problem?

Whatever it is, we'll fix it faster and better than anyone else on the planet, and guarantee your satisfaction 100%. Click on one of the links below to find out more about your water problem and how we'll make your water GREAT!

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Welcome to Great Lakes Water Solutions, where we make water GREAT!

We've been solving water problems for businesses **and homeowners for more than 25 years.** Your water may taste or smell bad. It might be clogging your pipes and leaving stains on your sink and toilet. It may have contaminants in it you don't even know are there that make it unhealthy. You may want these problems fixed, or you may just want to know you're giving your family or employees the safest, purest, best tasting water in all of Canada. We can do that for you. Please click on one of the above links to find out more about your water problem and how we can cure it.

Come see us at 551 Bryne Drive, Unit A, in Barrie. Give us a call at 1-866-396-0111.
Or send an email to sagnew@greatlakeswater.ca and we'll respond right away!

Bad tasting water

Your water has a bad taste because there are things in it that shouldn't be there: Hydrogen Sulfide (H₂S), mercury, lead, arsenic, iron and other elements, dissolved solids from sewage, industrial wastewater, urban runoff, your pipes, water treatment chemicals, and others. Some of these contaminants do more than make your water taste bad; they make it unhealthy, even harmful.

There are a number of ways to remove these unwanted elements; the right way for you depends on what's actually in your water, and whether you want to remove them from the whole house or workplace or just, for example, your kitchen sink.

Whatever solution is right for you, we guarantee it will do the job, for a fair and honest price.

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Smelly water

Pure water has no smell at all. If yours has an unpleasant smell, it's because there are things in it that shouldn't be there: Hydrogen Sulfide (H₂S), mercury, lead, arsenic, iron and other elements, dissolved solids from sewage, industrial wastewater, urban runoff, your pipes, water treatment chemicals, and others. Some of these contaminants do more than make your water smell bad; they make it unhealthy, even harmful.

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Customer reviews

Our water smelled so bad we were almost afraid to drink it. After checking out the water companies around Barrie, we decided to call Great Lakes Water Solutions. Steve Agnew, the owner, came to the house, inspected it, took a water sample, and the next day came back and gave us his recommendations, that included a water softening and reverse osmosis system. Theyd also provided 12-month no-interest financing and a 100% guarantee that we'd be happy with the result. It took a couple of days to install, and we noticed the difference immediately. The water tasted great, with no bad smell, and everything we used it for was so much more pleasant – washing dishes, taking baths and showers, washing the clothes, even just washing our face and hands was much better, with no slippery residue. The guys who installed it were perfect gentlemen who obviously like their jobs. All in all, it couldn't have been a more pleasant experience, and we're recommending Great Lakes to everyone we know. They made our water great!

Soap scum on sinks

If you're seeing a whitish residue on sinks, bathtubs, and showers, it's caused by minerals in your water like calcium and magnesium. Without getting too detailed, what happens is the minerals in your hard water interfere with the soap's surfactant properties, forming a solid precipitate that stays on your dishes, sinks, clothes, and skin. This soap scum, by the way, is different from the scale left on fixtures by the hard water itself.

There are a number of ways to get rid of soap scum. The best, of course, is to install a water softening system for your entire home or business. We offer the world's best water softening systems, a fair and honest price, 12-month no-interest financing, a 100% satisfaction guarantee, and free installation.

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Slow flowing water

Every time you run water through one of your faucets or fixtures, it leaves some of its minerals behind. Over time, these minerals form a hard layer called scale that eventually interferes with the proper operation of faucets, shower heads, toilets, dishwashers, clothes washers and other appliances. It also builds up inside your pipes, making them narrower, restricting the flow.

The obvious cure is to remove the minerals that are doing the damage. And the best way to do that is to install a water softening system for your entire home or business. We offer the world's best water softening systems, a fair and honest price, 12-month no-interest financing, a 100% satisfaction guarantee, and free installation.

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Too much chlorine

“There was so much chlorine in our water that when I took a shower the strong chemical smell made me feel like I was being gassed. It was also making my skin itchy all over. We called Great Lakes on a Tuesday, and by Thursday afternoon the problem was fixed.”

If you're experiencing too much chlorine in your water, there are a number of ways to remove it, and make your water taste better, smell better, and feel better than ever, for less than you might think.

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Stains on sink, toilet

Every time you run water through your sink, toilet, shower, or other faucets or fixtures, it leaves some of its minerals behind. One of these minerals is iron, which leaves an unattractive stain ranging from yellow to rusty brown. If your water contains a high degree of manganese, you may even see ugly black stains. Over time, these deposits form a hard layer called scale that eventually interferes with the proper operation of faucets, shower heads, toilets, dishwashers, clothes washers and other appliances. It also builds up inside your pipes, making them narrower, restricting the flow.

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Stopped up pipes

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Dry, itchy skin

Chlorine has been added in Canada as a disinfectant to drinking water for more than 100 years to eliminate microorganisms such as bacteria and viruses, and has greatly reduced the risk of waterborne diseases. However, too much chlorine in your water can cause dry, itchy skin. It also affects the water's taste, and can give your bath or shower an unpleasant chemical smell. Other causes of dry, itchy skin is the way hard water interacts with soap. Because soap in hard water does not dissolve properly, it leaves a soap film that can also cover your pores, interfering with their natural action.

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Dishwasher not working properly

Every time you run water through one of your faucets or fixtures, it leaves some of its minerals behind. Over time, these minerals form a hard layer called scale that eventually interferes with the proper operation of faucets, shower heads, toilets, dishwashers, clothes washers and other appliances. It also builds up inside your pipes, making them narrower, restricting the flow. Because hard water does not interact properly with soap, it can also leave a residue on your dishes, making it appear your dishwasher is not working properly.

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Rinse, rinse, rinse

You keep washing and rinsing, but still the soap film won't go away. It's on your dishes, your clothes, your skin, even in your hair, leaving it dull and lifeless. It's caused by the minerals in your water not interacting properly with your soap, not letting the soap do its job. No matter how much you rinse, it doesn't go away, mainly because you're rinsing it with more hard water.

The obvious cure is to remove the minerals that are keeping your clothes, dishes, hands and hair really clean. And the best way to do that is to install a water softening system for your entire home or business. We offer the world's best water softening systems, a fair and honest price, 12-month no-interest financing, a 100% satisfaction guarantee, and free installation.

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UV Filters

The unhappy truth is your water may contain hundreds of microscopic pathogens you're not aware of, including viruses, bacteria, protozoa, and other contaminants that can actually cause discomfort, disease, and be harmful in other ways. Coliform bacteria, for example, which may include one or more strains of E coli, are not uncommon. Others can cause severe gastrointestinal distress, even Hepatitis A and other problems. They can even show up in water that was once clean due to events like aging infrastructure, flooding, power outages, or water line breaks. A good reason to have your water tested regularly.

Installing a UV filter can eliminate these microorganisms by exposing them to an ultraviolet light on their way into your water system, rendering them unable to function, and eliminating the possibility of infection. Other types of treatment cannot provide this level of protection.

Why worry? The obvious cure is to remove the potentially harmful pathogens. And the best way to do that is to install a water solution for your entire home or business that includes a UV filter. We offer the world's best water purifying and softening systems, a fair and honest price, 12-month no-interest financing, a 100% satisfaction guarantee, and free installation.

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Reverse Osmosis

What is this thing called “Reverse Osmosis?” A very simple system, really, that removes contaminants from your water, providing pure, safe, clean, sweet water for your entire home or business. Why is it necessary? Because without a proper purification system, your **water may contain up** to 650 known contaminants that can make your water taste bad, smell bad, leave stains on your sink and toilet, cause your pipes to cake and not flow properly, and even make you sick.

Reverse Osmosis, or RO, removes minerals and contaminants from water by pushing it through a system of semi-permeable membranes. It gets its name from the natural process of osmosis, in which fresh, or less saline, water has a tendency to flow toward saltier water. We reverse that process by forcing saltier, or contaminated water through a membrane with small enough pores to prevent salts and contaminants from passing through it. The contaminants and salts are not caught in the filter, but are carried away in what is called the reject stream, so the filter does not get clogged. This process is capable of removing up to 99%+ of dissolved salts, particles, colloids, **organics, and pyrogens** from your water supply.

The obvious cure is to remove the contaminants. And the best way to do that is to install a Great Lakes water purification system for your entire home or business. We offer the world’s best water purification solutions, a fair and honest price, 12-month no-interest financing, a 100% satisfaction guarantee, and free installation.

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POU filters

Point of use filters can be installed where you need them: in the kitchen or bathroom, for example, where they filter only the water coming out of the faucet, and not the entire water supply. There are many types, including granular activated carbon filters, ceramic filters, carbon block resin filters, and membrane filters. The most common type used for water in your home or business is the active carbon filter, which removes chlorine, sediment, volatile organic compounds, bad taste and nasty smells from your water.

Is a point of use filter the answer for you? Give us a call or drop us an email. If we can't answer that question over the phone, we'll be happy to come to your home or place of business, look at your system, and give you our expert advice. Maybe a point of use filter is all you need. Maybe we'll suggest a Great Lakes water purification system – the only appliance we know of that pays for itself.

In any event, we'll be happy to do whatever is right for you, choosing from the world's best water purification solutions, with a fair and honest price, 12-month no-interest financing, a 100% satisfaction guarantee, and free installation.

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Water Softeners

Very simply, when water is in the ground, on the way to your city's water supply – or to your well – it picks up soluble bits of whatever it passes through. Sometimes this can make it unfit to drink, or unhealthy, but usually it simply means the water eventually contains too many dissolved minerals, particularly calcium and magnesium. That makes it “hard” water, and it causes a wide variety of problems, from clogging pipes to stains on your sink and toilet to a bad taste or smell, and many other problems.

A water softener removes the minerals, resulting in “soft” water. How does it do that? By *ion exchange*. In other words, trading the offending minerals for something less troublesome, like sodium. Here's how it works, very basically. The hard water is flushed through a “salted” chamber that removes the “hard” minerals from it by replacing them with sodium. The hard minerals are then flushed out of the system. This process results in pure, sweet, clean, soft water that contains only a miniscule amount of added sodium.

A water softener system for your entire home or business is by far the best way to remove those troublesome minerals, so you can get your clothes, dishes, hands and hair really clean, make your appliance work better and your water flow faster. We offer the world's best water softening systems, a fair and honest price, 12-month no-interest financing, a 100% satisfaction guarantee, and free installation.

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About Great Lakes

Part science and more than a little bit art, making great water from not so great water has been Steve Agnew's passion for more than 25 years. Great Lakes Water Solutions gives him the ultimate outlet for that passion, allowing Steve and his team to raise the bar in all aspects of water treatment and delivery, from developing new equipment to application, installation, system maintenance, and service.

From "simple" water softeners and drinking water systems for municipally supplied water to complex "problem water" often associated with private wells, to sewage treatment, regulated facilities, commercial, agricultural, industrial and medical needs, GLWS brings over two decades of excellence and experience to provide the perfect solution. And because each situation – no matter how seemingly simple – is unique, GLWS considers every facet of your situation in order to recommend the best solution for your home, organization, or company – one that meets your expectations, lifestyle or business.

Because water technology is constantly changing and improving, it's important to note that Steve not only stays on top of new developments, but has himself made significant contributions to the evolution of water treatment over the years. You can be confident the water treatment options presented to you will be the highest quality and most cost-effective solutions available. GLWS also takes into consideration your ability and willingness to service your equipment yourself and, when appropriate, designs user-friendly systems that require minimal maintenance. Alternatively, if your treatment requirements are complex or your lifestyle requires it, we will provide ongoing service and maintenance programs for your peace of mind.

For safe, clean water for your family, farm or business, friendly, professional service and excellent value for your water treatment dollars, your best choice is Great Lakes Water Solutions, where we don't just ask for your business – we earn it.

Give us a call or shoot us an email. Let us make you water GR8!

Financing Options

Free water testing

Location and hours

What are the benefits of soft water?

- Dishes, glasses and silverware sparkle, with no white spots or streaks.
- Up to a 22% savings on energy costs due to the elimination of lime scale and raw mineral deposits that clog water pipes, toilet valves, shower nozzles, dishwashers, washing machines, humidifiers, kettles and hot water heaters.
- Savings on costly repairs to your plumbing, fixtures and appliances.
- Clothes that are softer, brighter, smell fresher, and last longer. Raw water leaves soap curds and detergent deposits on your fabrics. This dulls colours and gives a grey or yellow appearance to should-be whites. No more need for bleach or fabric softeners.
- Spot free, gleaming chrome fixtures, sinks, bathroom tiles and shower doors, with no scrubbing, abrasive cleaners or expensive cleaning products.
- No bathtub rings or stained toilets.

The bottom line is a Great Lakes water solution in your home is an investment that will lower your monthly costs – not raise them! It's the only home appliance that actually pays for itself!

“What you don't know won't hurt you.”

Don't you believe it! If you don't know what's in your water you may be ingesting hundreds of contaminants that shouldn't be there: Hydrogen Sulfide (H₂S), mercury, lead, arsenic, iron and other elements, dissolved solids from sewage, industrial wastewater, urban runoff, your pipes, water treatment chemicals, and others. Some of these contaminants do more than make your water taste bad; they make it unhealthy, even harmful.

Why not find out exactly what's in your water with our free water test? Just drop by the store, or give us a call and we'll get a sampling pack to you. All you have to do is fill it with water and drop it in the mail or come by the store and drop it off. Or call and we'll come pick it up. In a short time you'll get a report from our laboratory that tells you everything you want to know. If your water needs treatment, we'll sit down and discuss the best way to make it great.

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