

FLUSHING PROCEDURE

1. Hydrants are to be used to flush the watermains. A service connection can be used to flush a ridermain within a private way.
2. Valves must be closed where appropriate to direct maximum flow through the main to be flushed. The water velocities generated will be far higher than if all valves are left in the open position.
3. Flushing from a hydrant should continue until the water is clear (or a maximum of 20 minutes) The hydrant must not be left unattended unless an approved sign is securely in place.
4. For a large subdivision flushing should be planned so that the subdivision is flushed progressively from one direction using the best supply available from the existing reticulation. (Water supply staff to be consulted).
5. All valves 'internal to the subdivision' must be left in the fully open position after flushing is complete.
6. Where possible all flushed water should be directed on to a grass berm prior to water entering stormwater system.
7. Hydrants used for flushing purposes should be opened & closed slowly, and should not be operated "fully open".

Example: Part of new Subdivision

