



**WARNING:**

Legal restrictions may apply to the use of softeners

- Brine Discharge is already restricted on or may be a problem for septic applications and waste water treatment facilities. Contact your local municipal water district or government agency.
- Since some states have already restricted softeners to metered valves to prevent excessive brine discharge, EWS, Inc. only provides metered valving in its line of softeners.
- Restrictions may also apply to hot-side only, salt-exchange tanks or services, or an outright ban.
- Local water dealers and other organizations do not inform consumers of these issues and believe these rules are unenforceable, however the consumer is ultimately responsible.

Warranties with other product(s) or health issues may apply to the use of softeners

- Softeners may also provide warranty issues with pools and spas, certain other products and finishes.
- Softened water should not be used for drinking, cooking, pets or plants and is usually by-passed or “looped away” from the cold side of the kitchen sink. The use of salts is exchanged for the naturally found calcium and magnesium minerals. The marketing and use of “potassium” is not the nutrient found in bananas. It is potassium chloride, which is another salt, which may create health issues for certain people on certain medication. Potassium chloride is more expensive and actually gets more “mushy” at the bottom of the brine tank causing more long term problems with the operation of the softener. Then, Reverse Osmosis, which also has its drawbacks, may be sold for the kitchen sink, to remove the salt from the water that the softener put in, yet may be misapplied for the local water conditions.

If you have any problems with any of the above issues,

please see information on  
the Environmental Water System - EWS Series;  
whole home filtration and a possible solution or alternative to softening.

Issues with iron?  
please see information on our Iron Removal System

Are you on a well?  
please see our “Guide for the Private Well Owner

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