

## Smartwater Filtration Watersystem: GE MWF A Refrigerator Water Filter Review

Is your water tasting funny these days? Or are you spending too much buying bottled water? I faced the same problem, but wasn't sure what to do. I thought replacing my refrigerator water filter would cost too much and be a pain to do. I found out it's not that hard to do, and doesn't cost that much.

Consider the GE MWF refrigerator water filter replacement—formally called the Smartwater Filtration Watersystem. In my case, I used it to replace my old GE GWF filter, and wonder now why I waited. Here's what you can expect from this filter:

**Pure drinking water.** The GE MWF refrigerator water filter is one of the most effective filtration systems. It...

- Reduces sediment, chlorine taste & odor
- Reduces lead, cyst, & turbidity
- Reduces waterborne contaminants such as Mercury, Toxaphene, p-dichlorobenzene, Carbofuran, Alachlor and Benzene

**Exceeds international safety standards.** The GE MWF is certified to NSF International Standard 42 and 53 to ensure the highest quality filtration system on the market. NSF International is an independent nonprofit company with the highest standards!

**Interchangeable with many filters.** You get an instant upgrade on your filtering system by switching to the cleaner, more efficient MWF. This filter replaces both GE and Culligan water filters and works in most GE and Hotpoint side-by-side and bottom-freezer models, as well as some Sears/Kenmore refrigerators, although some require an adaptor.

**Easy installation and removal.** This was the single thing I dreaded most about replacing my filter. But I was able to simply untwist the old filter and twist the MWF right in. It didn't even matter which end I twisted in, I couldn't mess it up if I tried. Besides that, it's **smaller** and takes up less space than the old GWF I replaced.

**Sizeable capacity and lifespan.** My water's still fresh tasting after nearly 5 months. The GE MWF refrigerator water filter can handle 300 gallons of water, which for most people is about 6 months' worth.

**Dimensions.** Like I mentioned earlier, the GE MWF refrigerator water filter is small. It's 3 by 3 by 5 inches and weighs less than a pound (14.4 ounces) and so it takes up very little space in my fridge.

**Features.** This filter is made from carbon block with polypropylene as inner and outer wraps. It can handle water pressure between 40 and 120 psi (pounds per square inch) with a flow rate of a half gallon per minute (0.5 gpm).

**Pros** There are a number of pros for me, including its small size and easy installation and removal. I also liked the price and convenience compared to buying water or constantly refilling a pitcher-filter system. And it helps that it's got a 30-day warranty, although I doubt I'll ever use it. But the best feature for me? It's the taste of the water. I drink more water because I enjoy it, and I really enjoy knowing that I'm not taking in all those chemicals and filth that get into my pipes. The other thing I really like is that I'm not sending bottle after bottle into a landfill. Even with recycling, just the energy used to recycle is

going to be saved by drinking from a glass rather than a bottle. Which leads me to the...

**Cons.** 6 months is a long time for a filter to hold up, but that still means I need to replace it twice a year. I am big on the environment, and hate putting that old one into the landfill. Also, it's definitely economical, but I'd love to cut the costs in half by having a filter that could last a year.

**Consumer ratings.** The average customer rating on this is 4.5 out of 5 stars. The strongest ratings were from people like me who would rather know exactly where our water is coming from—our hand-picked filtered system.

**Price.** Obviously that varies, but if you buy water by the gallon at your local grocery store, by switching you'll have your money back before you would've bought your 40<sup>th</sup> gallon. Consider that this filter is good for 300 gallons!

All in all, the GE MWF refrigerator water filter is probably the most economical way that I've found to get the best drinking water I possibly can. I don't have to deal with smelly water anymore, or haul gallons or cases of water from the grocery store. I don't have deliveries to worry about, or hefting those 6-gallon monsters onto a stand. I didn't have to ask anyone to help me take out the old one and put in the new one. It feels good to know that I've got an economical way to keep my water pure and my health in great shape!

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