Rockery Release Form

Property Owner should fill out their designated section below, sign, and return this completed form with rebate package if the rain garden or cistern installation is on a property with a wall or rockery.



PROPERTY OWNER INFORMATION		
Name:		
Site Address:		
City:	State:	Zip:

The RainWise program has developed design details for green stormwater infrastructure that provide for stormwater conveyance, detention, and infiltration which meet the goal of reducing combined stormwater overflows (CSOs) to Lake Washington and Puget Sound. As part of this, we have developed siting and location details to limit these installations to sites where they will be suitable to perform their function, and also be safe for the installing and neighboring properties. If your rain garden or cistern installation is on a property with a wall or rockery, you must fill out and submit this form with your rebate package to be eligible to receive a RainWise rebate. Design details and field engineering considerations concerning the installation of rain gardens and cisterns and their overflow conveyances take into account design function, public safety, and possible property damage.

However, walls and rockeries may be subject to failure when water is infiltrated behind them. Seattle Public Utilities and King County Wastewater Treatment Division and their employees (engineers and field inspectors) cannot know the construction methods, substrate and/or soils associated with a wall or rockery, nor predict the longevity of a wall or rockery. If you choose to install a rain garden or cistern behind a wall or rockery, you agree to assume the risk associated with that installation.

Certification

I, the Property Owner, understand and agree to the following:

- I am aware that despite following the RainWise Program design guidelines for installation of rain gardens and cisterns behind a wall or rockery, damage could occur to the wall or rockery. Damages may include cracking, buckling, and partial or full collapse of the rockery structure; erosion through or around the wall or rockery; subsidence of retained soils; or other physical damage.
- 2. I have decided to install a rain garden or cistern behind a wall or rockery of my own free will, having been informed of such possible damages.
- 3. I will hold harmless the City of Seattle and King County Wastewater Treatment Division for these modifications and their consequences and voluntarily assume all risk associated with the installation of a rain garden or cistern behind the wall or rockery.