

Water Saving Tips



Turn off the water while brushing your teeth and shaving.



Install a low-flow shower head.



Spend less time in the shower.



If you take a bath, keep the water level low.



Fix those leaky faucets and toilets. You can lose about 20 gallons of water per day from leaks.



Install low-flow faucet aerators in your sinks.



When you wash your hands, turn on the water briefly to wet them, turn it off while you lather up, then on again to rinse. You'll save water and soap this way.



Buy a low-flow toilets they use as little as half as much water as normal toilets.



If it's yellow, let it mellow. The saying may be cliché, but it's good advice.



Don't flush things down the toilet to dispose of them.



Only run the dishwasher when it's completely full. When washing dishes by hand, don't leave the water running the whole time and use the least amount of detergent possible - this minimizes the water needed for rinsing.



Scrape dishes into the compost rather than rinsing. Use the garbage disposal less.



Keep a bottle of drinking water in the refrigerator instead of running tap water to cool it each time.



Wash vegetables and fruits in a large bowl of water and scrub them with a vegetable brush your faucet is not a power-washer!



Think ahead! Don't use water to defrost frozen foods instead, leave them in the fridge overnight to defrost.



Boil food in as little water as possible. You keep more flavor and nutrients in your veggies.



Use the water left over from boiling to water your plants (just let it cool down first!).



Eat meat and dairy foods fewer times a day. The amount of water used to produce animal products far exceeds the amount used for growing vegetables and grains.



Buy more whole foods like vegetables, rice and potatoes. Processed foods take a lot more water to produce.



Use your laundry machine only when it's full. Buy an energy star certified model / it will save you gallons of water per load.



Don't over-water your plants!



Use a pool cover! It save thousands of gallons of water from evaporation. Check for leaks often.



Keep your pool water cool... the warmer the water, the faster it evaporates.



Don't buy or use a decorative fountain unless it re-uses its water.



Water your lawn during the cool parts of the day. This helps to prevent evaporation.



Don't water the lawn on windy days, because wind increases evaporation.



Use a drip irrigation system instead of a hose or sprinkler to water your garden.



Hand-water your lawn or garden instead of using sprinklers when possible. You use less than half as much water this way. Be sure not to water the sidewalk or driveway!



Get a rain sensor for your automatic sprinklers.



Set lawn mower blades one notch higher. Longer grass means less evaporation.



Direct the water drain line from your air conditioner to a flower bed, tree base or onto your lawn.