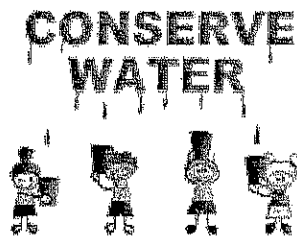


Easy Ways To Conserve Water At Home & In The Yard

1. Check faucets and pipes for Leaks: A small drip from a worn faucet washer can waste 20 gallons of water per day.
2. Check your toilets for leaks: Put a little food coloring in your toilet tank. If, without flushing, the color begins to appear in the bowl within 30 minutes, you have a leak that should be repaired.
3. Install water-savings shower heads and low-flow faucet aerators: Inexpensive water- saving low-flow shower heads or restrictors are easy for the homeowner to install.
4. Put a milk carton or tank bank in your toilet: Cut a plastic milk carton to make a container. Place rocks in the container. Place in the tank. A rock filled container can reduce water flowing out of the toilet by up to 25%. Be sure at least 3 gallons of water remain in the tank so it will flush properly. Savings 10 gallons of water per day.
5. Insulate your water pipes: It's easy and inexpensive to insulate your water pipes with pre-split foam pipe insulation. You'll get hot water faster plus avoid wasting water while it heats up.
6. Take shorter showers: One way to cut down on water use is to turn off the shower after soaping up, turn back on to rinse. A four minute shower uses approximately 20-40 gallons of water.
7. Turn off water after you wet your toothbrush: Wet your brush and fill a glass for mouth rinsing. You can save 25 gallons a month.
8. Rinse your razor in the sink: Fill the sink with a few inches of warm water. This will rinse your razor just as well as running water, with far less waste of water.
9. Use your dishwasher and clothes washer only when you have a full load: You can save up to 1,000 gallons a month.
10. Wash fruits and vegetables: In a pan of water instead of running water from the tap.
11. When doing laundry: Match the water level to the size of load.
12. Soak pots and Pans: Instead of letting the water run while you scrape them clean.
13. Water your lawn and garden: In the morning or evening when temperatures are cooler to minimize evaporation.
14. Wash your pets outdoors: In an area of your lawn that needs water.
15. When you give your pet fresh water: Don't throw the old water down the drain. Use it to water your trees or shrubs.

16. Wash your car on the lawn: And you'll water your lawn at the same time. Use hose nozzle or turn off water while you wash your car: Savings up to 100 gallons.
17. Do not water your lawn on windy days: Most of the water blows away or evaporates.
18. Set a kitchen timer when watering your lawn or garden: To remind you when to stop. A running hose discharge up to 10 gallons a minute.
19. Put a layer of mulch around trees and plants: Mulch slows evaporation of moisture while discouraging weed growth.
20. Use a grease pencil to mark the water level of your pool at the skimmer. Check the mark 24 hours later to see if you have a leak.
21. When cleaning out fish tanks: Give the nutrient-rich water to your plants.
22. Use your Gutters to catch rain water: Rain barrels are a great way to catch rain water to use for watering all outdoor plants.
23. If you accidentally drop ice cubes: When filling your glass from the freezer, don't throw them away in the sink. Drop them in a house plant instead.
24. For cold drinks keep pitcher of water: In the refrigerator instead of running the tap. This way, every drop goes to you and not the drain.
25. Try to do one thing each day that will result in a savings of water. Don't worry if it is minimal. Every drop counts. And every person can make a difference.

Water conservation comes naturally when everyone in the family is aware of its importance, and parents take the time to teach children some of the simple water-saving methods around the home which can make a big difference.



Toilets	26%
Clothes washing	22%
Showers	21%
Faucets	12%
Baths	9%
Toilet leakage	5%
Dish washing	3%