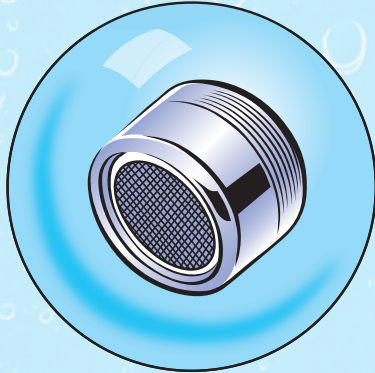


## Water Saving Gear

Try installing a **faucet aerator** in your bathroom and kitchen sinks. Aerators reduce the flow of water and thus help save water and your money.



A **low-flow showerhead** can cut water use by more than half. Check your shower to see if one isn't installed and make the change.



## Other Places to Save

- **Only run dishwashers when full.** Twelve uses per month – or 2-3 times per week – can add up to 1440 gallons or \$10 in water and sewer charges.
- **Fill the kitchen sink with water when washing dishes** instead of letting water run.
- **Run full loads of laundry in your washing machine.** Four loads per week can use up to 748 gallons per month, or \$5.41 in water and sewer charges.
- **Compost** instead of using your garbage disposal.
- **Wash fruits and vegetables in a pan of water** instead of running water from the sink.
- **Don't leave a garden hose running unattended.** A hose can use 600 gallons of water per hour, or about \$5.00 in water and sewer charges.

# Save Water, Save Money

**Indoor water use tips to help you save money on your water bill.**



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# Every Drop Counts Towards Cost Savings

Indoor water saving habits can pay off when paying your water bill.

## Check Toilets for Leaks

A leaking or constantly running toilet leads to high water bills. If you think your toilet is leaking:

- 1) **Drop food coloring in the top of the tank.** If the water in the bowl turns color within a few minutes, then there is a leak.

### What to do:

- 2) **Call your landlord or a plumber to repair.**

### While you wait:

It can take some time to make the repair.

- 3) **To save water and lower your bill, turn the water off between uses by turning the knob** located on the wall at the base of the toilet. Remember, clockwise is off, counter-clockwise is on.



## Savings at the Sink

There are several simple things you can do to reduce water use at the sink.

- 4) Turn the water off while brushing teeth.
- 5) Fill the sink partially when shaving. Rinse razor in the water instead of leaving the faucet on.
- 6) Fix leaking faucets quickly.



## Save Gallons in the Shower

A running shower can use as much as 3 gallons of water per minute. If your household takes three 10-minute showers per day, you'll use 2,520 gallons per month. This translates to at least \$18 in water and sewer charges on your bill.



- 7) Try to limit showers to less than 10 minutes, especially when visitors are in town.
- 8) Also, consider installing a low-flow showerhead. These can cut water use in half.

## Did You Know?

**Faucet:** A drip of two tablespoons per minute = 420 gallons per month = **\$2.77 per month** in usage charges.

**Toilet:** 6 flushes per day = 1,176 gallons per month = **\$8.49 per month** in usage charges.

**Shower:** Three 10-minute showers per day = 2,520 gallons per month = **\$18 per month** in usage charges.