

# WATER CONSERVATION

Tips for saving water in your home.

Save water, reduce your water and energy bills, and keep water in our streams by taking simple steps in your home, yard, and business to save water every day.

## Toilets

- Toilets account for 30% of indoor water use.
- Older toilets can use up to 5 gallons of water per flush.
- Replace older model toilets with WaterSense® labeled high efficiency toilets (which perform as well or better than standard models) and save a minimum of 23 gallons per day or 8670 gallons per year.

## Faucets

- Find and fix leaky faucets, both indoor and attached to your house. A faucet leaking 60 drops per minute will waste 192 gallons per month or 2304 gallons per year.
- Turn off the faucet while soaping hands, shaving or brushing teeth.
- Installing WaterSense® labeled faucets and aerators can save 700 gallons of water per year.

## Shower

- Showering accounts for about 17% of indoor water use.
- The average shower is 10 minutes. You use about 2.5 gallons of water per minute (that's 25 gallons for a 10 minute shower!).
- Shortening your shower by 5 minutes will save 10 gallons of water.
- WaterSense® labeled shower heads save 5560 gallons of water per year.

## Laundry

- Washing laundry accounts for 30% of indoor water consumption.
- The average family washes almost 400 loads of laundry each year.
- Conventional washers use 40 gallons of water per load. High efficiency washers use 15 gallons per load.

For more information regarding the WaterSense® label and what it means visit:

<https://www.epa.gov/watersense/about-watersense>

