

# Save Water Save Money

Cutting back on your water use not only saves water, but also saves energy, money and the environment. This leaflet has been designed to provide you with some easy ways to save water in your home and garden.



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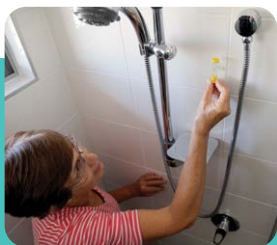
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## Great water saving tips for your home

A 10 minute shower can use up to 90 litres of water! Try cutting a minute off your shower. Saving hot water not only saves water but energy and money too.



Fit a water efficient showerhead for a water saving yet still high performance shower experience.



Turn the tap off when brushing your teeth. Wet your brush and use a glass for rinsing.



Fix dripping taps – a rate of 1 drip per second wastes over 12,000 litres per year.



Fix leaking toilets – a slow barely visible leak can waste over 4,000 litres per year while a visible constant leak can waste over 96,000 litres per year.



Always use a full load in the dishwasher and washing machine to ensure they run as efficiently as possible.



Look for washing machines that have a four or more WELS star rating (The Water Efficiency Labelling and Standards Scheme).



The best time to water your garden is before 10am and after 4pm when the sun's rays aren't so strong.



Always use a trigger nozzle so no water is wasted.



Plant water-conservative plants and use only enough water to match the needs of the plants.



Using mulch helps save water by keeping soil cool to reduce evaporation by up to 75%.



Installing a rainwater tank, together with other household water saving devices, can reduce your household water use by up to 25%.



When washing your car at home, park your car on your grass so the runoff soaks back into the ground.



Uncovered pools can lose up to 55,000 litres of water annually, through evaporation, which is a big deal. Using a solar pool cover can help you to stop 97% evaporation.

## Great water saving tips for your garden