

INDOOR WATER CONSERVATION

TIPS FOR NEVADANS



1. Toilet

Check for leaks by putting a few drops of food coloring in the tank. Wait 5-7 minutes. If color shows up in the bowl, you have a leak! Flush to avoid staining after the test.



2. Shower

Shortening your showers by one minute can save over 500 gallons of water per year and enough electricity to run your laptop!

3. Faucet

Turning off the tap while brushing your teeth, washing your hands, or shaving will save up to 200 gallons of water per month.

4. Dishwasher

Wait to run a load of dishes until the washer is full. Scrape dirty dishes rather than rinsing them. Doing one less load of dishes a week saves over 300 gallons a year.

5. Efficient Fixtures

If you are ready to replace faucets, toilets, aerators, and showerheads, look for the WaterSense label. WaterSense certified products perform as well or better than less efficient counterparts and are at least 20% more efficient.



6. Leak Check

If you're unsure whether you have a leak, read your water meter before and after a two-hour period when no water is being used. If the meter reading goes up, you probably have a leak.



7. Reuse

If you want to go above and beyond in water savings, think about reusing water. You can collect water in a bucket while waiting for the shower to warm up or when washing pots, and use it to water container plants or flower beds.

One drip per second can waste more than 3,000 gallons a year. In the driest state in the US, water conservation matters!

For more info about fixing leaks and conserving water, visit www.epa.gov/watersense.