

# There's a Drought On. Turn the Water Off.

Below are water saving tips brought to you by the  
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## INDOOR CONSERVATION TIPS ESTIMATED SAVINGS

Run the dishwasher only when full	1-2 gallons per day
Don't leave water running when rinsing dishes	5-10 gallons per day
Turn off water when brushing teeth	4 gallons per day
Shorten showers	10 gallons per day
Don't use the toilet as a wastebasket	2 gallons per day
Fix leaky toilets	30-50 gallons per day per toilet
Fix leaky faucets	15-20 gallons per day per leak
Replace older, inefficient clothes washers	20-30 gallons day
Replace older, high-volume flushing toilets	6-10 gallons per day
Wash only full loads of clothes	15-48 gallons per day
Install aerators with flow restrictions on kitchen/bathroom faucets	4.7 gallons per day

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## OUTDOOR CONSERVATION TIPS

## ESTIMATED SAVINGS

Water only in the late evening or early morning hours to reduce evaporation and interference from wind	20-25 gallons per day
Adjust sprinklers to prevent overspray and runoff	15-25 gallons per day
Repair leaks and broken sprinkler heads	50-100 gallons per day
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Reduce each irrigation cycle by 1-3 minutes, or eliminate one irrigation cycle per week.</li> <li>Water only after the top inch of soil is dry</li> </ul>	100-165 gallons per day
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Adjust irrigation controllers and replace batteries in the spring and fall</li> </ul>	20-25 gallons per day
Add 2" - 3" of mulch around trees and plants to reduce evaporation	40 gallons per day
Upgrade to a "smart irrigation controller" that automatically adjusts watering times for hotter weather, and shuts down the system when it rains	20-25 gallons per day
Install water-efficient drip irrigation systems for trees, shrubs, and flowers to get water to the plant's roots more efficiently	33-60 gallons per day per 1,000 sq ft. depending on climate
Replace a portion of lawn with beautiful native and California friendly plants	8-18 gallons per day
Use a broom instead of a hose to clean driveways and sidewalks	8-18 gallons per day
Get a self-closing nozzle for your hose	8-18 gallons per day
Install covers on pool and spas to reduce evaporation	30 gallons per day

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