

Every Drop Counts

Save Water by Fixing Leaks

Leaks inside your toilet can waste up to 200 gallons of water per day! Toilet leaks are hard to find. They are normally caused by a problem with one or more of the following parts: flapper valve, flapper valve seat, ballcock valve, float arm or overflow tube.

The two non-toxic blue dye tablets attached will give you a quick, easy way to check for leaks. Test the toilet by dropping one of the dye tablets into the tank. DO NOT FLUSH. Wait 15-20 minutes.

If color appears in the bowl, then you have a leak. If you find a leak, please get it fixed and you will save water.



TOILET TANK LEAK DETECTING TABLETS

1. Drop tablet in tank, stir slightly.
2. Wait 15 minutes. If color appears in bowl, you have a leak.
3. Please make repairs.

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Water is essential to life on earth. Although nearly three-quarters of our planet is covered in water, only 1 to 2 percent can support life. If water is constantly being cleaned and recycled through the earth's water cycle, why do we need to conserve it? The answer is that people use up our planet's fresh water faster than it can naturally be replenished.

To provide enough clean fresh water for people, water is cleaned at drinking water treatment plants before it is used. And after water is used, it is cleaned again at wastewater treatment plants or by a septic system before being put back into the environment. According to the United States Geological Survey, each person uses about 80-100 gallons of water per day. **That's enough to fill 2 bathtubs!**

Water Conservation Tips!

Wash laundry and dishes only when there is a full load. You can save 300 to 800 gallons of water a month by washing laundry and dishes when the machine is full.

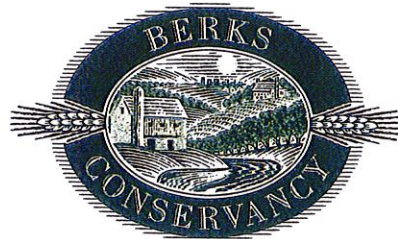
Always turn off running water. You can decrease your water use by several gallons daily by simply turning the water off when you are brushing your teeth or shaving.

Take shorter showers. A 10 minute shower with an older showerhead can use up to 80 gallons of water. Time your shower and try reducing it to 5 minutes.

Landscape your property using native plants. Native plants don't require excessive watering and will retain soil moisture.

Eliminate any and all leaks. A faucet dripping one drop of water per second wastes nearly 9 gallons of water a day.

Reduce the flow of toilets and showerheads. If your toilet was manufactured before 1993, it uses up to 8 gallons per flush (gpf). Newer models use 1.5 gpf or less. Replace your old toilet with a low-flush unit. Install a low-flow showerhead to reduce your shower water use by 20 to 60 percent.



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