

There are a number of ways to save water, and they all begin with you

Easy to do plumbing ideas

- ✓ Install aerators—These can save up to 2,000 gallons per year per faucet.
- ✓ Fix leaky pipes—Even slow leaks can waste hundreds of gallons per year.

In the Bathroom

- ✓ Install low-flow showerheads—You can save up to 10,000 gallons per year per person.
- ✓ Take a 5-minute shower—Use the timer we provided to help. Less time in the shower means more savings.
- ✓ Turn off the water when brushing your teeth or shaving. Even this simple task can save over 1,000 gallons of water per year.
- ✓ If you take baths, don't fill up the tub. A full tub can use between 25 - 50 gallons.
- ✓ Want to see if your toilet is leaking? Put some food coloring in the tank, if it seeps into the bowl, then you have a leak.

REMEMBER - Approximately 65% of the water used in the home is used in the bathroom, so this is a great place to start saving!

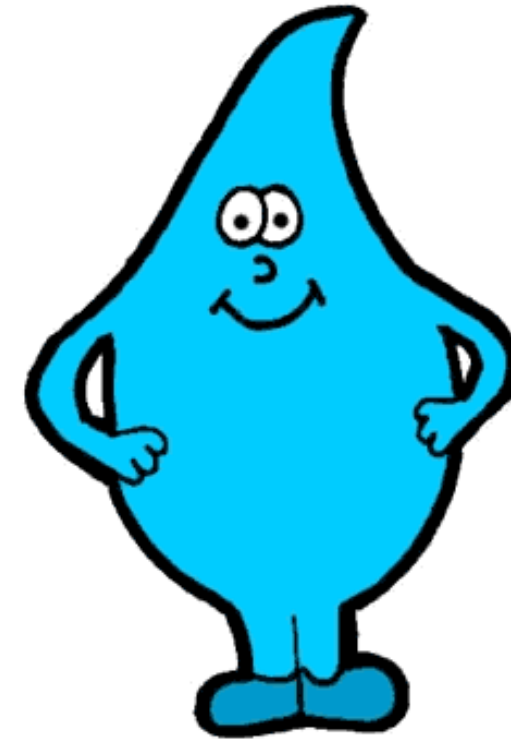
In the Kitchen

- ✓ Do not run the water constantly while you are washing dishes.
- ✓ Select the proper size pan for cooking. Larger pans require more water.
- ✓ If you have a dishwasher, wait until it is full before you run it.

Laundry

- ✓ Wash clothes only when you have a full load. A clothes washer typically uses between 20-50 gallons per load. The permanent press cycle uses an additional 15 gallons.
- ✓ Use the energy-saver or water-saver option if available.

REACH and You: Water Conservation



Why save water?

- ◆ Saving water saves you money.
- ◆ Saving water helps preserve the environment.
- ◆ Saving water preserves our natural water reserves.

Let's See How You Can Save

- Do you have any drips or leaks? Y N
- Is your toilet constantly running? Y N
- Do you let the water run when you brush your teeth or shave? Y N
- Do you let the water run when you wash dishes? Y N
- Do you run the clothes washer or dishwasher when it is 1/2 full? Y N
- Do you limit your showers to under 5 minutes? Y N
- Have you installed faucet aerators? Y N

Show Me the Savings

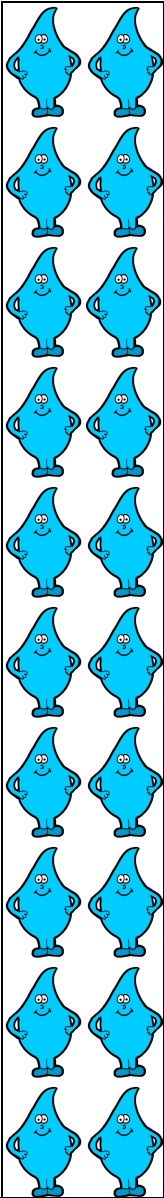
WATER FACTS

Each home uses an average of 100 gallons of water per person per day.

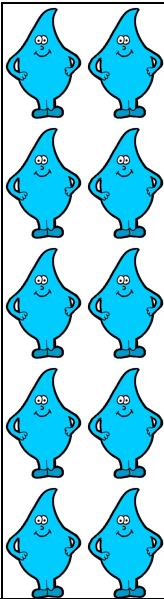
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Mandatory water restrictions are in place throughout most of Virginia.

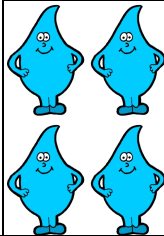
10,000 gallons/year



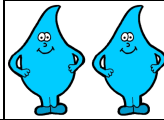
5,000 gallons/year



2,000 gallons/year



1,000 gallons/year



500 gallons/year



Fixing a faucet with a steady drip of 10 drips per minute

Water off while brushing teeth

Faucet aerators

Repairing a leaky/running toilet

Low-flow shower-head