# **Make Conservation** the California Way of Life

## Simple Ways to Save Water Around the House

Weather whiplash in California has led to extreme swings between flood and drought. With the wets getting wetter and the hots getting hotter, every household is being asked to continue saving water for our future.

Use the tips below to find ways to reduce your daily water usage. Adopting some simple habits into your routine can really make a big difference.



## Fill the bathtub halfway or less

saves 17-25 gallons of water per bath



## Take 5-minute showers instead of 10-minute showers

save 12.5 gallons per shower with a water-efficient showerhead



### Fix leaks

saves **27-90 gallons** of water per day



## Turn off water when brushing teeth or shaving

saves 8 gallons per person each time you brush your teeth or shave



## **Install aerators**

saves **0.7 gallons** per minutes



## Wash full loads of clothes

saves 15-45 gallons per load



## **Install high-efficiency toilets**

saves 6-35 gallons per day



## Use a dishwasher instead of handwashing

saves up to 24 gallons per load of dishes



## Recycle indoor water and use it to irrigate your garden

cuts water use by 30%



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## Simple Ways to Save Water in Your Yard

While California's water supply conditions have greatly improved this year following three years of historic drought, this is just a moment in time and every household is being asked to use water wisely to help adapt to a hotter, drier future.

Use the tips below to find ways to reduce your daily water footprint.

Making a couple adjustments in your yard can really add up to big water savings.



# Use a broom or leaf blower to clean outdoor areas

saves **6 gallons** every minute you're not running the hose



# Reimagine your yard with water wise plants

Consider removing your lawn and replacing it with drought-resistant plants to save **30–60 gallons** per 1,000 sq. ft. each time you water



## Adjust sprinkler heads & fix leaks

saves **12–15 gallons** each time you water

### WATER SAVING FACT:

A leak as small as a ballpoint pen tip can waste 6,300 gallons per month!



### Set lawnmower blades to 3"

saves **16–50 gallons** per day by encouraging deeper roots



### Use mulch

saves **20–30 gallons** of water per 1,000 sq. ft. each time you water



# Water early morning or late evening

saves **50%** of sprinkler water otherwise lost to wind and evaporation



## Install drip irrigation & add a smart controller

saves **15 gallons** each time you water



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