

# Water Conservation Tip



## Indoor

Check for leaks in your toilets. Simply place some food coloring into the water in the tank. If the color appears in the bowl after ten minutes, it means you have a leak. Typically, the leak is a result of the water level being set too high or the flapper needs to be replaced. Leaks can cause significant water waste in an otherwise conserving household, so get them fixed!



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If your showerhead can fill a one-gallon bucket in less than 20 seconds, replace it with a high-efficiency showerhead. Drop by the Conservation office and pick up a free high quality, high-efficiency showerhead today.



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By replacing your older top-loading clothes washer with a new high-efficiency model, you can save a significant amount of water and energy. High-efficiency washers use 50 percent less water and energy than conventional washers, and they are kinder to your clothes. CCWD and PG&E currently have High Efficiency Clothes Washer Rebate Programs.



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## Interior Water Use

Did you know that toilets have been evolving to become more efficient? Prior to 1982, most toilets flushed 5 to 7 gallons per flush. Then until 1992, toilets flushed with 3.5 gallons per flush. In the early 1990's the plumbing code changed to require all toilets sold after 1992 to use 1.6 gallons per flush. Now there are toilets available that flush with even less water. These *High Efficiency Toilets* (HETs) use only 1.28 gallons per flush. There are several different types including standard gravity flush models, dual flush models, and air-pressure assisted 1.0 gallon models. Also, the new HETs are required to meet strict performance standards to ensure they flush properly.

CCWD is currently providing rebates of up to \$125 to eligible customers who purchase qualifying HETs. Contact the conservation department for more information or check out our website at [www.ccwater.com/consERVE](http://www.ccwater.com/consERVE).



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Sometimes when people want to get a glass of water they will run the water in the sink to make sure the water is cold.

Instead, keep a glass container of water in the fridge for drinking. This will eliminate the need to run the water each time.



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Run your clothes washer and dishwasher with full loads. This will maximize the water and energy efficiency of the appliances.

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We all know that you shouldn't run the water in the sink when brushing your teeth. Another water saving tip is to put a plug in the bathroom sink when shaving rather than rinsing your razor under the running faucet.

