

Keys to Water Conservation

- * Don't run water before plugging and filling up the bathtub
- * Turn off the faucet while brushing your teeth or shaving
- * Take shorter showers
- * If the shower has a single hand control or shut-off valve, turn off the flow while soaping and shampooing
- * Place a bucket in the shower to catch excess water and use this water to water plants
- * Use aerators on all faucets
- * Change toilets to Ultra Flow toilets (1.5 gallons per flush)
- * Check toilet periodically for leak and/or plumbing problems
- * Don't use toilets as trash baskets
- * Don't use a brick in your toilet tank it may disintegrate and cause problems in your lines
- * Open automatic dishwashers and clothes washers only when fully loaded. Set water level for the size of load you are using
- * When washing dishes by hand, fill one sink or basin with soapy water and another basin with rinse water
- * Install an instant water heater on your kitchen sink so you don't have to let water run until it heats up
- * Insulate your water pipes
- * Install water softening systems only when necessary
- * Start a compost pile as an alternative to a garbage disposal
- * Store drinking water in the refrigerator. Don't let the tap run until the water gets cold
- * Do not use running water to thaw meat or other frozen foods
- * Make sure your home is leak free
- * Repair all the dripping faucets

**Become water
Conscious!**