



How To Lower Your Water Bill

Under the new system of water pricing, consumers can make significant savings by reducing the amount of water they use.

TRY IMPLEMENTING SOME OF THESE SIMPLE WATER SAVING TIPS IN AND AROUND YOUR HOME

In the home

- ▲ Read your water meter each week to estimate your daily, monthly and annual water usage.
- ▲ Check for hidden leaks in the home and outside, and replace tap washers regularly (a continuously dripping tap can waste up to 600 litres per day).
- ▲ Water-efficient showerheads (9.5L per minute) can cut water usage by half. Shorter showers for example 4-5 minutes can provide further savings.
- ▲ Install a dual flush toilet (6-9L per flush) so you can choose how much water you use. Don't use the toilet to flush away tissues or wrappers.
- ▲ Turn off the water while brushing your teeth, shaving and peeling vegetables (5L per minute).
- ▲ Collect the necessary amount of water in the sink to wash your hands, clean vegetables or scrape the dishes, rather than letting the tap run.
- ▲ Only use the dishwasher when full (60-100L per load).
- ▲ Do full loads of washing and consider buying a water-saving front loading washing machine. Alternatively, use the low level water setting for small loads (40-270L per load).
- ▲ Try a quarter turn of the tap for regular use.
- ▲ Look for the AAA water efficiency rating when buying appliances for the bathroom, laundry or kitchen.
- ▲ Install water saving devices such as flow regulators and flow restrictors, single lever taps, water efficient shower systems, quarter turn taps or pressure limiting valves.

