



Mendocino County Division of Environmental Health

Water Saving Tips



Simple and Quick Water Saving Tips

Turn off water:

- While brushing teeth except to fill cup to rinse mouth or to rinse brush
- When washing car—use nozzle to shut off water in between washing and rinsing
- When hand washing dishes—fill sink basin with water for rinsing



Use broom to sweep clean driveway and sidewalks

Water lawns & gardens only when needed:

- In the evening or early morning instead of midday
- If using sprinklers, adjust them to water only gardens and lawn with no overspray onto sidewalk, street or driveway



Place mulch around garden plants

Wash only full loads in clothes washer (& dishwasher if using)

Simple Water Saving Tips Fixes

Fix leaky plumbing fixtures



Install water saving shower heads—especially those that can stop flow while washing with soap

Install flow restrictors on other faucets

Set up sprinklers with timers to water early in the morning before sunrise

Compost food scraps instead of running garbage disposal



Extra Water Saving Tips

Landscape with drought resistant plants—especially native plants

Keep lawn area smaller instead of having a large lawn

Replace old toilets with low flow toilets

Replace top load clothes washers with front load clothes washers



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