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There are many ways you can help to use water wisely in your home and garden. Here are a few examples.



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In one hour a garden sprinkler uses as much water as a family of four in a day. Use a watering can in your garden.

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Try taking a shower instead of a bath, it uses three times less water.

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Run washing machines and dishwashers with a full load. Don't over fill the kettle (it will save electricity too).

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Turn off the tap while you brush your teeth and rinse your mouth with a glass of water.

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We flush a third of our clean water down the toilet. Use water efficient taps and dual flush cisterns.

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Exposed pipes and those in the loft space should be insulated, to prevent bursts in the winter-time.

At home

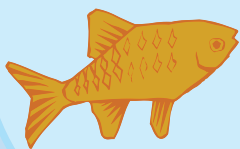
- ◆ Always try to use the plug and don't let the tap run when you're washing your hands or washing up. Better still, use a washing up bowl in the sink.
- ◆ Keep a bottle or jug of water in the fridge, instead of leaving the tap running while it gets cool.
- ◆ If you have a bath, you can save water and energy by ensuring it is not over full.
- ◆ Use the minimum amount of water needed to boil water in a kettle. You'll save energy as well as water.
- ◆ When helping with the washing up, avoid rinsing dishes in the sink before loading them into the dishwasher. Scrape them clean instead.
- ◆ If you have a dual flush toilet, use the shorter flush whenever possible.
- ◆ During the summer, the best time to water a garden is early morning or in the evening when the weather is cooler. Avoid watering in the midday sun or when it's windy as a lot of the water will evaporate - If you have a swimming pool, use the cover when it is not in use. This will help reduce evaporation meaning that you have to refill it less often.

Brain tissue is 85% water. Drinking water is needed for brain activity.



Recycling water

- ◆ A good way to recycle water is to use dish water on your garden.
- ◆ A water butt (a large covered bucket) in the garden can collect rainwater that can be used on plants and lawns.
- ◆ Water indoor plants with the remains of unwanted glasses of water.



When you clean out my fish tank, you can use the dirty water on your house plants. My poo is an excellent fertiliser

At school

- ◆ In domestic science classes, wash vegetables in a bowl of water, not in running water.
- ◆ If you're washing up dishes or equipment, use the plug to fill up the sink and don't leave the tap running.
- ◆ Report leaks and drips. Even a small leak can waste a lot of water.
- ◆ Choose water as a school project - and use our website www.jerseywater.je to give you and your school all the information you need to be water wise!



Why use water wisely?

You can do your bit to reduce the amount of water that is wasted, whether it is in the home, the garden, at work or at school - many of the changes in routine are small and will hardly be noticed.

There are lots of simple things we can all do, from turning off the tap whilst brushing your teeth to recycling used water.

Together they add up to significant overall savings.




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