

# Water Conservation Tips

Our water is a precious resource, so using water efficiently is important, particularly in the summer. Here are some tips to help you conserve water.

## Water-Wise Irrigation Technology

Consider improving your irrigation system's watering efficiency by installing these products:

- Rotating sprinkler heads deliver water evenly and slowly to minimize runoff and wasted water.
- Soil moisture sensors show the amount of water retained by the soil and adjust irrigation schedules accordingly.
- Weather-based controllers adjust watering according to current weather and climate data to determine optimal watering times and automatically adjust the watering schedule.
- Soaker hoses and drip irrigation minimize water waste by efficiently delivering water close to plant roots.



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## Irrigate Efficiently

Save water by using these methods to increase the efficiency of your irrigation system:

- Check your irrigation system for leaks and repair any leaks you find, even if they appear to be minor.
- Regularly check soil moisture before watering.
- Avoid watering the pavement.



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## Water-Wise Your Landscape

Modify your yard using the practices below to create more drought-tolerant areas that require less water:

- Plant wisely by using water-wise and/or native plants.
- Apply mulch to help the soil retain moisture.
- Consider converting some lawn area to a water-wise landscape.

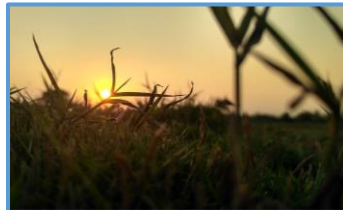


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## Reduce Outdoor Water Waste

A portion of irrigation water can be lost through evapotranspiration. Here are simple ways to reduce water waste:

- Irrigate in the early morning or late evening.
- Avoid watering when it's windy.
- Aim sprinklers low.
- Set mower blades high.



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## Save Water Indoors

Consider the following practices to reduce water use inside:

- Install water-efficient faucet aerators and showerheads.
- Upgrade to a more water-efficient toilet.

