

Helpful Water Tips

- A household faucet runs at 3 to 5 gallons a minute.
- The average American family turns on the water tap 70-to-100 times per day. [U.S. EPA]
- Twice a year, check all faucets inside and outside for leaks. Replace worn out fixtures, washers, O-rings, and hose connections. Turn off faucets firmly.
- A faucet that drips at the rate of one drop per second will waste 2,700 gallons in 2 months. [American Water and Energy Savers, Inc.]
- Check appliances' connecting hoses and faucets for leaks. Even a pinhole leak wastes up to 170 gallons a day.
- 40% of the water used each day by the average person is flushed down the toilet.
- Install a low flow showerhead and keep showers under five minutes.
- Avoid using the toilet for a wastebasket. Every flush you eliminate can save between two and seven gallons of water.
- Filling the bathtub uses about 30 gallons of water. Plug the tub when you shower; how full does the tub get?
- Wash clothes wisely. Match washer's load selector to your load size.
- Sump Pump Buddy, a back up sump pump tied into your water supply system that is activated when there is a power outage. These systems need to be checked out once the power has been restored. These systems at times have failed to shut off resulting in large water bills.