

# Marin Municipal Water District's

## Top 10 Water Conservation Tips

### OUTDOORS

1. **Maintain your irrigation system.** Check for water leaks, pipe breaks or clogged sprinklers and replace/repair as needed.
2. **Reduce watering.** Plants are typically over-watered 20-50 percent, lawns especially. Reduce watering times 2-5- minutes for every 10 minutes on your timer. Consider subscribing to MMWD's online weekly watering schedule.
3. **Install a "smart" controller** that will adjust the irrigation system when evaporation is lowest.
4. **Do not run automatic irrigation systems during the day.** Irrigate in the early morning or evening when evaporation is lowest.
5. Participate in MMWD's new **Bay-Friendly Landscaping Rebate Program** and replace older irrigation equipment with more water-efficient products.

### INDOORS

1. **Install a water-efficient showerhead** (2.5 gallons/minute or less) and take shorter showers.
2. **Fix leaking faucets, toilets and showerheads.** Because leaks are "on" 24/7, even small ones can waste a lot of water.
3. **Install a high-efficiency toilet** (using 1.2 gallons/flush). MMWD has a toilet rebate program for qualifying toilets.
4. Use your **clothes washer's energy-saving cycle** and always run full loads. Consider replacing your clothes washer with a high-efficiency model and get a rebate from MMWD.
5. Use your **dishwasher's energy-saving cycle** and always run full loads.



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