

CAMDEN–WYOMING SEWER & WATER AUTHORITY

WATER SAVING TIPS & TRICKS

The average person used about 100 gallons of water per day. Below are some tips and tricks to help conserve water and save you money on your utility bill.

Inside the Home

- Turn off the tap while shaving and brushing your teeth.
 - The average faucet can use 1 to 2 gallons a minute.
- Showers use less water than tub baths.
 - A tub bath can use between 35 – 50 gallons of water.
- Check for a leaky toilet (a silent toilet does not always mean it is leak free)
 - **A leaky toilet can waste as little as 300 gallons a day or over 50,000 gallons a month for a running toilet.**
 - Check flapper valves, flush handles and overflow tube leaks
 - Help detect a leak using food coloring in the toilet tank. Let 10-15 drops in the toilet tank stand for 30 minutes without flushing. Any colored water appearing in the toilet bowl; shut off the water valve to the toilet until you can have the leak repaired (turn water on/off as the toilet is needed).

Kitchen and Laundry

- Plug up the sink or use a wash basin for washing dishes by hand
 - Running the faucet while washing dishes can use over 10 gallons in 5 minutes
- Wash full loads of laundry or use the appropriate load size on the washing machine.

Outdoor Water Use

- Know when to water. Water plants early morning or late afternoon when the sun is low. Watering mid-day, water will evaporate before the plants can absorb it.

The tips listed here are a guide for saving water. For more information visit: <https://www.epa.gov/watersense/watering-tips>