

## EL DORADO IRRIGATION DISTRICT

### What does it mean to save 30% outdoors?

Conserving 30% of 1,500 cubic-feet of water use equals 3,366 gallons of water savings.  
Follow these outdoor tips to save water.

The following tips apply to customers whether or not they receive recycled water service

OUTDOOR TIPS	GALLONS OF SAVINGS	WEEKLY SAVINGS	NOTES
Use a broom instead of a hose to clean hardscape	5	75	Gallons per minute, for 15 minutes, one time per week
Use an automatic shut-off nozzle on your hose	5	75	Gallons per minute, for 15 minutes, one time per week
Quickly repair leaks and broken sprinkler heads	20	140	Savings per day per leak, having 1 leak, over 7 days
Adjust sprinklers to avoid overspray and runoff	40	160	Savings each time you water, with 4 watering cycles per week
Eliminate 1 irrigation cycle or reduce each by 2 minutes	80	560	Savings per week if watering 5 stations, 3 cycles instead of 4
Water your landscape early in morning or late at night	50	200	Savings each time you water, with 4 watering cycles per week
Install drip irrigation for trees, shrubs, and flowers	30	120	Savings each time you water 1000 sqft landscape, 4 cycles/wk
Add 2 to 3 inches of mulch around trees and plants	9	63	Savings per day for 1,000 sqft of irrigated landscape per week
Install a "Smart" controller to water with the weather	100 to 150	875	Used average savings of 125 gals per day for a week
Plant low-water use trees and shrubs instead of turf	9	63	Savings per day for 1,000 sqft of irrigated landscape for a week

SOURCE: Regional Water Efficiency Program - Tips and Water Savings. Go to [BeWaterSmart.info](http://BeWaterSmart.info) to learn more. These outdoor tips are for a typical home in the Sacramento and Gold Country region watering for 20 weeks per year.

NOTE: Recycled water supplies are also significantly constrained. Therefore, it is critical for customers utilizing recycled water to also reduce irrigation uses by 30%.

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### What does it mean to save 30% indoors?

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Follow these indoor tips to save water.

INDOOR TIPS	GALLONS OF SAVINGS	WEEKLY SAVINGS	NOTES
Wash only full loads in the clothes washer	15 to 45	210	Used average savings of 30 gals per wash, 7 loads per week
Don't leave water running while rinsing dishes	2.5	175	5 mins each 2 times per day with standard kitchen faucet
Run the dishwasher only when full	2 to 4.5	13	Used average savings of 3.3 gals per load, 4 loads per week
Reduce shower time from 10 minutes to 5 minutes	12.5	263	With 2.5 gal/min shower head, used 7 per week by 3 people
Install lower-flow shower heads (1.5 gals/min)	10.0	210	3 people taking a 10 min shower if replacing a 2.5 gal/min head
Fill the bath tub halfway or less with water	12.5	113	Average bath tub size of 25 gals, used 3 times/week by 3 people
Turn off the water when brushing teeth (or shaving)	10.0	210	Savings per day, 7 days per week, by 3 people
Install low-flow aerators on bathroom faucets	1.2	25	Savings is per person per day, with 3 persons in a household
Fix leaky faucets	15 to 20	123	Average 17.5 gals per day for 1 faucet, 7 days per week
Don't use the toilet as a waste basket	1.6	67	1.6 gals/flush, 2 times per day by 3 people in a household
Fix leaky toilets	30 to 50	280	Average of 40 gals per day for 1 toilet, 7 days per week

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