

Water Saving Tips



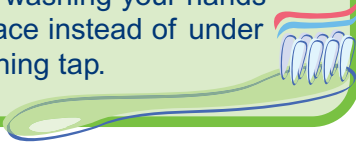
Running water, wasting water

We all take care of our teeth by brushing every day.

Did you know that while you are brushing your teeth, you can take care of our planet as well?

Turn off the tap and you could save enough water to fill a nine litre bucket!

Save even more water by using the plug in your basin when washing your hands and face instead of under a running tap.



Save water in the toilet

Pop a save-a-flush bag into your toilet cistern to save one litre of water with every flush.

Ask an adult to order one from our website.

And remember, the only items that should be flushed down the loo are human waste and toilet paper.



Take a shower, not a bath

Why not take a shower, instead of a bath? Did you know a shower uses at least half as much water as a bath?

Save even more water by using a shower timer – time yourself to shower in just four minutes or less.



Save water, save the planet!

Climate change will affect our water supply. We must all try to save water, even here where it rains a lot!

At Severn Trent Water we are doing our bit too. Lots of water is wasted through leaks in our pipes which have become very old, and cold winters cause some of our pipes to burst. Over the last five years, we have invested millions of pounds into replacing old pipes.

Treating water uses lots of energy, so following our tips you'll not only save water but energy too! This means you will be taking care of our planet and reducing your carbon footprint.



Save water in the kitchen

If you like to help out in the kitchen, use a bowl when washing up and when washing fruit and vegetables instead of under a running tap.

To save water and energy, ask adults to always use your washing machine and dishwasher on a full load. And look out for any dripping taps as it wastes around 5,000 litres of water a year!

Save water in the garden

Did you know that lawn sprinklers waste 1,000 litres of water an hour? That's about the same as a family of four uses over two days for cooking, cleaning and washing! How about using rain water from a water butt to water the garden instead?

Bag it and bin it

Use a Fat Trap to dispose of fats, oils and greases properly. Pouring fats, oils and grease (FOG) down the sink can cause major blockages that lead to

sewer flooding and pollution problems.

Ask someone in your house to order a free fat trap from

www.stwater.co.uk/fog
or call **0845 603 4413**.