

Toilet Leak Detection Dye Tablets

1. Remove tank cover carefully.
2. Drop tablet into tank. If you don't have dye tablets, food dye works too.
3. Wait 20 minutes - do not flush.
4. Check for dye color in bowl. If color appears, you have a toilet leak.
5. If color appears:
 - a. Check the water level in your tank. Is it over the fill tube? Adjust it back down to a quarter of an inch below the lip of the fill tube.
 - b. Check the flapper. It might need to be replaced, if it is not creating a good seal.

Master Water Valve

Know where your house valve (master shut-off valve) is located and show everyone in the household.

Pressure Regulating Valve (PRV)

If your water pressure is over 75 psi, you need a PRV. If you have a PRV, make sure it is working and adjusted properly.

Indoor

- Fix leaking toilets and fixtures as soon as leaks are detected.
- Install high-efficiency toilets, showerheads, and faucet aerators.
- Install a high-efficiency clothes washer - save up to 30% on water and 50% on energy.
- Take quick showers - ten minutes or less.
- Turn off the water when brushing your teeth, washing your face, or shaving.
- Run your dishwasher and clothes washer with full loads only.
- Stopper the sink when rinsing fruits and vegetables or use a plastic wash tub. Re-use the water on plants and trees.

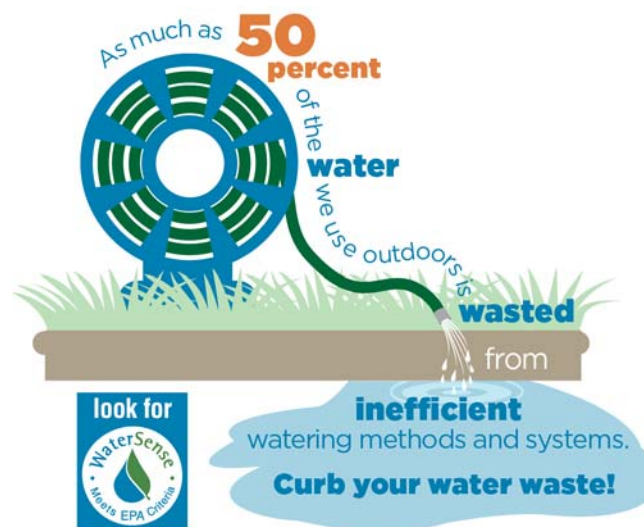
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Outdoor

- Always use a shut-off nozzle on your garden hose.
- Take your car to a commercial carwash that recycles the rinse water.
- Sweep rather than hose off sidewalks, patios, decks, and driveways.
- Make sure sprinkler heads are adjusted so that they are not spraying the house, sidewalk, or street.
- Use native and drought-tolerant plants and trees in the garden. Use three inches of mulch around plantings on exposed soil to retain water.



"I couldn't have used that much water?!"

Irrigation - Spray/Drip Systems

- ◆ Broken spray heads and emitters
- ◆ Leaking pipes
- ◆ Pressure too high
- ◆ Malfunctioning controllers
- ◆ Malfunctioning valves

Leaking Toilets can waste 30 to 1,500 gallons of water per day.

- ◆ Leaking flapper
- ◆ Water level too high
- ◆ Broken toilet valve

Leaking showerheads, tubspouts, faucets, and hose bibs can waste 192 to 3,290 gallons of water per month.

Appliances that can leak:

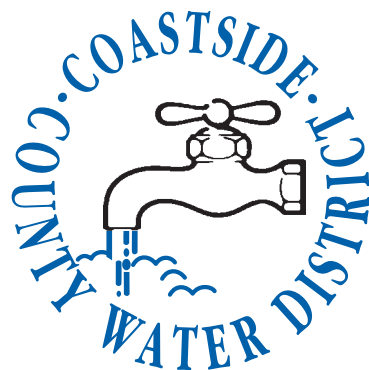
- ◆ Refrigerators with icemakers or water dispensers
- ◆ Dishwashers/clothes washers
- ◆ Hot water tanks
- ◆ Water softeners
- ◆ Reverse osmosis systems

Activities that increase your bill:

- ◆ Pressure washing
- ◆ Flushing water/sewer lines
- ◆ Filling pools/hot tubs/ponds
- ◆ Construction (plumbing, masonry, landscaping, tile, painting or concrete)



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