

Blog Title: How Bathroom Faucet Repair in Winder Can Beef Up Your Wallet

10 Ways to Save More Water Every Day

It's easy to take water for granted when you have unlimited access. Most families in the U.S. turn on the tap and watch clean and clear water flow from their pipes. In places all across the world, some families aren't so lucky and have to rely on water trucks bringing clean water to their communities for drinking, cooking and cleaning. In the year 2018, we're seeing a real need for conservation.

The good news is you can save water easily in ways that don't take tons of effort. Here are ten super simple ways to cut back on your consumption without sacrifice:

1. Turn off the water while brushing your teeth.

There's little advantage to running the tap nonstop while you brush your teeth. The average person - not household, but individual - will save 3,000 gallons of water a year by changing this habit. That's enough water for 368 glasses of clean, clear drinking water a year.

2. Soak dirty dishes instead of scrubbing them under the tap.

Not only will this save a significant amount of water each year, but it will also make your dishes easier to clean. Add a little baking soda to tough spots first to speed up the process and help get rid of strong odors. Better yet, put your dishes, pots and pans in the dishwasher. Today's hyper-efficient models will scrub your pans sparkling while using a fraction of the water spent washing items by hand.

3. Defrost frozen foods in the refrigerator.

Too many people warm up frozen meats and vegetables in the sink under running water. Plan ahead and move them to the fridge to thaw instead, or use the thaw feature on the microwave. This step isn't just water-friendly, it keeps foodborne illness at bay.

4. Plug your bathtub before running the water.

You don't have to wait for the water to warm up before filling up the tub. It's easy to adjust the temperature as it fills.

5. Shorten your showers.

Did you know showering for just four minutes can use 20 or even 40 gallons of water—depending on the water pressure of the shower head? You can cut down on water use by shortening your showers by just one minute. According to WaterUseItWisely.com, this will save 150 gallons or more every month.

6. Shave smarter.

When it's time to shave, rather than allowing the faucet to run continually to clean off the razor, fill the sink with water to rinse the blade. Your razor will get just as clean without letting so much water go down the drain.

7. Use the trashcan in the bathroom.

This may seem like a strange water-saving tip, but you would be amazed by how much water your household can waste by using the toilet to flush every single piece of tissue or toilet paper instead of placing it in a trashcan.

8. Increase hand-washing efficiency.

Just like shaving or brushing your teeth, there's no need to let the water run while you are scrubbing your hands with soap. Turn the faucet off while you are getting your scrub on; then run the water again just enough to rinse the soap from your hands.

9. Fix leaks fast.

Think that dripping faucet isn't too big of a problem? The truth is that one day of dripping can lead to a loss of more than 20 gallons of water. Stretch that out over days and a seemingly small issue becomes a major, costly problem. Call on your trusted plumbing professionals to repair leaks right away.

10. Look for the WaterSense® when upgrading appliances.

From washing machines to kitchen faucets, EPA-approved devices focus on high-performance and efficiency. Also look into WaterSense® faucet aerators. Extremely easy to install, simply screw them on your existing faucets and save up to 700 gallons of water a year!

To explore these and other methods for saving water on a daily basis, contact your friendly plumbing experts at Anthony Wimpey Plumbing.