

# WATER SAVING TIPS



## SAVE WATER IN THE BATHROOM

Water is a precious resource. We're encouraging our customers to rethink their water use with these simple tips.



Consumer NZ tested water-efficient showerheads and found **replacing a 12 litre per minute showerhead with one that flows at 8 litres can cut your hot water bill by \$150 per year**, while still giving you a comfortable and effective shower.



**A continuously running toilet wastes more than 16,000 litres of water per year.** To check for leaks put some food colouring in the tank. If the colouring begins to appear in the bowl, the cistern should be repaired without flushing the toilet.



Water taking too long to heat up? **Capture cold water with a bucket** and use it in the garden or on household plants.



**Install a dual-flush toilet cistern**, or adjust the float valve to reduce the amount of water used for each flush.



Try putting a timer in the shower. **Having a 4 minute shower** or taking fewer showers can reduce water dramatically.



**Use the half flush on the toilet** to save up to 30 litres a day.



A dripping tap wastes up to 90 litres of water per week. **Always repair leaking taps and faucets.**



When taking a bath, **fill the tub only halfway** to avoid water spilling over.



**Turn the tap off** while brushing our teeth.



**Install a low flow shower head**, which uses less water.