

WAYLAND WASTEWATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT COMMISSION

WATER CONSERVATION GUIDELINES

Whereas, the conservation of fresh water resources is the critical goal throughout the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and in the WWMDC service area in particular;

Whereas, recent innovations have produced significant reductions in the amount of potable water required for certain plumbing fixtures and other water using devices without significant cost;

Whereas, the purpose of these guidelines is to foster water conservation throughout the WWMDC service area;

The following recommendations are suggested for water conservation:

1. When washing dishes by hand, do not let the water run while rinsing.
2. Run clothes washer and dishwasher only when they are full.
3. For cold drinks keep a pitcher of water in the refrigerator instead of running the tap.
4. Shorten your shower by a minute or two.
5. Do not use running water to thaw food. Thaw in the refrigerator.
6. Repair leaky faucets and toilets.
7. Use a water-efficient shower head.
8. Turn off water while brushing your teeth.
9. Place a plastic bottle filled with water in your toilet tank.
10. Choose water-efficient appliances.
11. Insulate hot water pipes.
12. Install low-flow toilets.
13. For businesses, consider water recycling and reuse.
14. Instruct maintenance personnel to regularly check your facilities for leaks, drips, and other water waste.
15. Install sub-meters, monitor water use, and determine where water conservation is feasible.
16. Shut off water to unused areas of your facility.

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