

EL DORADO IRRIGATION DISTRICT

What does it mean to save 15% outdoors?

Conserving 15% of 1,500 cubic-feet of water use equals

1,683 gallons of water savings.

Follow these outdoor tips to save water.

OUTDOOR TIPS	GALS OF SAVINGS	WEEKLY SAVINGS	NOTES
Use a broom instead of a hose to clean hardscape	5	75	Gallons per minute, for 15 minutes, 1 time per week
Use an automatic shut-off nozzle on your hose	5	75	Gallons per minute, for 15 minutes, 1 time per week
Quickly repair leaks and broken sprinkler heads	20	140	Savings per day per leak, having 1 leak, over 7 days
Adjust sprinklers to avoid overspray and runoff	40	160	Savings each time you water, with 4 watering cycles per week
Eliminate 1 irrigation cycle or reduce each by 2 minutes	80	560	Savings per week if watering 5 stations, 3 cycles instead of 4
Water your landscape early in morning or late at night	50	200	Savings each time you water, with 4 watering cycles per week
Install drip irrigation for trees, shrubs, and flowers	30	120	Savings each time you water 1000 sq. ft. landscape, 4 cycles per week
Add 2 to 3 inches of mulch around trees and plants	9	63	Savings per day for 1,000 sq. ft. of irrigated landscape per week
Install a "Smart" controller to water with the weather	100 to 150	875	Used average savings of 125 gallons per day for a week
Plant low-water use trees and shrubs instead of turf	9	63	Savings per day for 1,000 sq. ft. of irrigated landscape for a week

SOURCE: Regional Water Efficiency Program - Tips and Water Savings. Go to BeWaterSmart.info to learn more. These outdoor tips are for a typical home in the Sacramento and Gold Country region watering for 20 weeks per year.

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