

# What does reducing water consumption by 15% look like?

## SIMPLE WAYS TO SAVE WATER IN YOUR YARD

California is in a serious drought, and every household is being asked to reduce their water usage by 15% to keep our communities thriving. This may seem challenging but making a couple of adjustments in your yard can add up to big water savings.

The average Californian uses 196 gallons of water per day, and 60% of that is used outdoors. Using the tips below, find the right combination for you to reduce by 15%, or 203 gallons per week.



**USE A BROOM OR LEAF BLOWER TO CLEAN OUTDOOR AREAS**  
saves **6 gallons** every minute you're not running the hose



**WATER EARLY MORNING OR LATE EVENING**  
saves **50% of sprinkler water** otherwise lost to wind and evaporation



**REIMAGINE YOUR YARD WITH WATER WISE PLANTS**  
Using drought-resistant plants can save **30–60 gallons** per 1000 sq. ft. each time you water.



**INSTALL DRIP IRRIGATION & ADD A SMART CONTROLLER**  
saves **15 gallons** each time you water



**ADJUST SPRINKLER HEADS & FIX LEAKS**  
saves **12–15 gallons** each time you water  
*Water Saving Fact: A leak as small as a ballpoint pen tip can waste 6,300 gallons of water per month!*



**SET LAWMOWER BLADES TO 3"**  
saves **16–50 gallons** per day by encouraging deeper roots



**USE MULCH**  
saves **20–30 gallons** of water per 1,000 sq. ft. each time you water

**Let's make it last, California.**

For more water saving tips, go to [SaveOurWater.com](http://SaveOurWater.com).

