



SAVING WATER AT WORK

There are many opportunities to reduce water used in businesses. It may be on the production line, in the office or perhaps the kitchen and bathrooms of your workplace. Water is worth conserving, not only because it is essential for our health and wellbeing and the environment, but also because as individuals and businesses, we must pay for the water we use.

Use water efficient fittings and appliances

- ◆ Flow-controlled aerators for taps are inexpensive and can reduce water flow by 50%.
- ◆ Install water efficient white goods and plumbing products to save water and money. Check the appliance or fitting for a Water Efficiency Labelling and Standards (WELS) rating label - the more stars, the more water efficient the product.

Fix leaking taps & toilets

- ◆ If you see a leak in your common areas, report it so it can get fixed promptly.
- ◆ Water losses from common leaks include:
 - Visible constant leaking toilet (over 96,000 litres/yr)
 - Tap dripping at a rate of 1 drip per second (over 12,000 litres/yr).
- ◆ For more information, including how to identify and fix leaks, please see the Smart Water Advice Leak factsheet and the Smart Water Advice website.





Check your water meter for other leaks

- 💧 Ensure the person responsible for paying the water bill checks it for any significant changes.
- 💧 Regularly check your water meter so any leaks can be found and fixed promptly.

Choose tap water over bottled water

- 💧 Tap water reduces plastic waste from bottled water.
- 💧 The cost of tap water is approximately 0.2c per litre.

Think global, act local

- 💧 Adopting water efficient practices in your business can save water and money but it can also make employees and clients proud to be affiliated with your organisation.



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