

# WATER SAVING TIPS



## SAVE WATER OUTSIDE

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



In just **one hour**, a **hose running at full volume** can use up to 2000 litres. That's enough to fill up **28 baths**.



Try using your **sprinkler for only 30 minutes**. Using it for over an hour can equal the same amount of water a **family would use in one day**.



Water your garden before **6am or after 9pm** when it's cooler and not windy, otherwise the **water can evaporate** before being used by the plants.



Like to water your lawn? **Wash your car on the grass** as the water used from washing the car **will get both jobs done** with half the amount of water used.



**Mow your lawns** on the **highest setting**. Longer grass won't dry out as much as the leaf shades the soil. **Little and often** is the way to go.



Use a **trigger attachment** on the **end of garden hoses** to ensure water is only used where and when it's required.



Plant your garden in watering zones, known as **hydro zoning**. **Grouping plants** that require **similar amounts of water** will help you control your water use.



**Save your food scraps** for a compost pile or worm farm, rather than a waste disposal unit. **Garbage disposal units use about 30 litres of water** per day and send a lot of extra rubbish into the sewers. This places an **additional strain** on **sewerage treatment plants**.



**Mulch your garden** – it conserves soil water and **reduces evaporation up to 70%**.



**Keep outdoor pools and spas** covered to prevent debris collection and **reduce evaporation**.



Save water by **cleaning paved** areas with a **broom or rake**, rather than hosing them down.