

## Why Save Water at Work?

Businesses can reduce their water use and lower their utility costs by adopting conservation practices and replacing inefficient equipment or operations.

## How To's

Below are some quick opportunities for commercial, industrial, and institutional customers to reduce water use with little or no up-front costs or impacts on performance and customer satisfaction.



**Water Conservation  
Doing Our Share**

- Check for leaks and emphasize leak reporting and repair.
- Use a broom, instead of a hose, to routinely clean sidewalks and driveways, and consider alternatives to discretionary uses of water that are not related to health and safety.
- Empower your customers to participate in water-saving practices. Allow restaurants customers to request drinking water and allow hotel customers to request clean towels and linens.
- Turn off water-using equipment when not in use, including dishwashers, garbage disposals, and food troughs.
- Replace inefficient equipment such as toilets, single-pass cooling systems, water-cooled ice machines, laundry systems, medical equipment, process water and many other systems. Most completed projects have financial paybacks of two years or less and often produce companion energy savings.
- Work with all employees to develop methods and procedures that will reduce water use. Evaluate how employees are using water and determine, with their help, more efficient alternatives.
- Incorporate efficient use of water in kitchens for food preparation, food thawing and clean-up procedures.
- Eliminate daytime landscape watering. Water at night or in the early morning (before 10 a.m. and consider weather-based or moisture sensing controls).