

# Being Water WISE

## Water Audit Activity

Saving water is easy when you think about it. Here's a fun way to see how waterwise you are around your home. Using the table below, work out how many litres of water you use each day.

### In Queensland,

we live in a climate of extremes. And part of living here means being ready to adapt our water use in times of drought and flood.

It is important we develop good water habits so we have enough water to meet future demand.

There are simple things you can do at home, school and work to be water efficient.

### Outside:

- Avoid watering the garden in the heat of the day and use a good mulch
- Keep the pool cover on when the pool is not in use
- Use tank water for watering the garden and topping up the pool
- Check for concealed leaks on your property
- Wash your car on the lawn.

### Inside:

- Install water efficient devices and appliances
- Take shorter showers
- Do full loads in the washing machine and dishwasher
- Don't leave the tap running to brush your teeth or rinse fruit and vegetables - half fill the sink instead
- Fix leaking taps and toilets as soon as possible.

### How many litres do you use each day?

Date:

Name:

Water use	Water quantity	Number of times/ mins a day	Working column	Daily Total
<b>Flushing toilet</b>				
Single flush	11L per flush			
Dual flush - half	3L per flush			
Dual flush - full	6L per flush			
<b>Showering</b>				
Water-efficient head	6L per min			
Non water-efficient head	11L per min			
<b>Taking a bath</b>				
Full	150L per bath			
Half	100L per bath			
<b>Cleaning teeth</b>				
Tap running	3L per min			
Tap off	0.5L per brush			
<b>Washing hands</b>				
	3L per min			
<b>Washing dishes</b>				
Sink	15L per wash			
Dishwasher	15L per load			
<b>Washing clothes</b>				
Top loader	120L per wash			
Front loader	70L per load			
<b>Cooking a meal</b>				
	10L per wash			
<b>Drinking</b>				
	0.25L per glass			
<b>Washing a car</b>				
Hose	15L per min			
Bucket	9L per bucket			
<b>Total:</b>				<input type="text"/>

**Did You Know?**  
A dripping tap can waste more than **200 litres** of water per day.

**How Could You use Less Water?**

In South East Queensland our average water use is **169 litres** per person per day.

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