Water Conservation Checklist

- Check for leaks and repair quickly.
- Turn water off while
 not in use
- Only water lawns when needed
- Take shorter showers
- Install water saving devices in your home
- Keep a jug of water in refrigerator for drinking



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Water Conservation Guide

Saving
Water saves
you Money!

Every Drop Counts!

Why Conserve

Many counties and cities in Texas have suffered through severe drought conditions recently, which should raise our awareness for good water conservation practices. When you conserve water you save money, energy, and you help the environment. There are 3



Change your habits

Observe your own habits with water and think about the amount you are using and how you can use less.

simply ways that we can conserve water..

Repair Leaks

A single dripping faucet can waste thousands of gallons per year. Make a habit of checking for drips and repairing as soon as possible.

Install water saving devices

Water-efficient or low-low fixtures can cut your water use. See your local plumbing supply merchant for details.

Don't Waste It!

A constant leak from a hole of the following size would, over a one-month period, waste water and money in the following amounts:

1/4" leak = 393,834 gallons of water costing \$1,041



- 3/16" leak = 222.000 gallon of water costing **\$590**
- 1/8" leak = 98,667 gallons of water costing \$268

Water Use Outdoors

Thousands of gallons of water are used in Vernon each day on landscapes and gardens. Most of us water our yards too much. When water stands in the yard or runs off and down the curb, gutters and driveway this is "overwatering"! If you have auto—sprinkler systems, time them to come on late at night or early morning to reduce the effects of evaporation. Use shut off spray nozzles on

hoses. Visit Texas A & M website @ www.tamu.edu for good watering practices. Remember every drop counts! Please be water wise and conserve.

On the average, each American uses 60 gallons of water per day. Where does it go?

28% Flushed

23% Laundry

19% Showers/baths

15% Faucets

12% Leaks [About 82,000 gallons per day for Vernon]

3% Dishwasher



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