

I Resolve to Save Water in 2015!

To help achieve the most water-efficient year yet, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA's) WaterSense® program created a monthly resolutions checklist. I will celebrate the New Year by taking the pledge at www.epa.gov/watersense/pledge and checking off one or more simple step each month to save water for myself, my family, and future generations.

January	v 2015

- I'm making it official! I <u>pledge to save water</u> inside, outdoors, and at work with a little "water sense."
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- I will flush with a <u>WaterSense labeled toilet</u> to score super savings for Team Water during Super Bowl halftime.
- I will plan a romantic getaway or spring trip to a hotel that saves water by booking with a WaterSense H₂Otel Challenge participant.



March 2015

- After setting the clocks for Daylight Saving Time, I will spring forward to water savings by checking my irrigation control settings, if I have an automatic watering system.
- To celebrate Fix a Leak Week March 16 through 22, 2015, I will check toilets for leaks using a drop of food coloring in the tank. If any color shows up in the bowl after 15 minutes before I flush, we have a leak. A new flapper will likely be the easy fix!



April 2015

- April showers bring May flowers—I will shape up the yard by browsing WaterSense's <u>Water-Smart Landscape Photo Gallery</u> and planting <u>low</u> water-using, native plants.
- I will celebrate Earth Day on April 22 with these <u>simple steps to save</u> water.



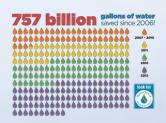
May 2015

- Before ramping up watering efforts, I will spruce up my sprinkler in four simple steps: Inspect, connect, direct, and select.
- I will aerate soil to improve water flow to root zones and reduce runoff.



June 2015

- WaterSense labeled products have helped consumers save hundreds of billions of gallons of water and billions of dollars in utility bills. We will look at our <u>water bill</u> this summer to better understand our water use and find ways to save!
- We will further our water savings by **not** watering our yard in the middle of the day to reduce water loss from evaporation.



July 2015

July is Smart Irrigation Month—I will water smarter with a WaterSense
labeled <u>irrigation controller</u> if I have an irrigation system. Before replacing
our controller, I will check with my utility or the WaterSense Rebate Finder
for savings.



If we have an in-ground watering system, I will look for an <u>irrigation</u> <u>professional</u> certified by a WaterSense labeled program to install or service it to help improve our landscape's health and water efficiency.

August 2015

- Next house hunt, we can save water and reduce utility costs by looking for a <u>WaterSense labeled new home</u>.
- To celebrate World Water Week from August 22 to 28, 2015, I will wash only full loads of laundry and dishes to reduce the number of cycles and save water.



September 2015

- We will get kids ready for school by testing their "water sense" with some fun games.
- When preparing lesson plans, teachers can add water efficiency to the syllabus with <u>WaterSense resources</u>.



October 2015

- I will shower better by replacing any old showerheads with WaterSense labeled models and save water, energy, and money.
- All that candy at Halloween requires extra brushing! We will remind kids to turn off the tap while they are brushing their teeth.



November 2015

- We will give our bathroom a <u>mini-makeover</u> with a WaterSense labeled faucet, showerhead, or toilet. With products available in a wide variety of colors, models, and price points, we are sure to find items to match our style *and* budget.
- From the food on our plates to a shower at the end of the day, I will be thankful for water and everything it provides.



December 2015

- When cooking for the holidays, I will save water in the kitchen using these simple tips.
- When making my holiday shopping list, I will give the gift of savings and performance with <u>WaterSense labeled fixtures</u> to friends and family.

