

Medford Water Commission - FAUCETS



Faucets can also be high users of water, accounting for more than 15% of indoor household water use. Older faucets and aerators can flow as much as 5 gallons per minute, more than double the current standard of 2.2 gallons per minute. Today, fixtures are also available that are effective at even lower flow rates. Look for [WaterSense[®]](#) labeled faucets and aerators, which are certified to perform well while meeting high efficiency standards. Other ways you can save:

- If your faucet does not currently have an aerator, adding one could save you hundreds of gallons of water. Adding an aerator or replacing one with a lower flow rate is simple and very low cost.
- Avoid letting the water run while brushing your teeth, shaving or washing dishes.