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# Indoor Water Conservation

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## Clothes Washer Rebates

The City is offering rebates up to \$100 on the purchase of high efficiency clothes washers. A typical old-style top loading washer can use up to 50 gallons per load! But the newer more efficient washers use 15-25 gallons per load, often have larger capacities and actually do a better job of getting your clothes clean.

Horizontal axis washers use less water because clothes tumble through a small pool of water in the bottom of the drum. Less water also means less energy to heat the water. The high-speed spin cycle rings out more water so the dryer requires less energy. And along with less water, you'll need less laundry detergent, too!

Several highly efficient top loading models also qualify for the rebate. The list of all qualifying models is available if you call 974-2199, go to any area appliance retailer, or visit [www.cityofaustin.org/watercon](http://www.cityofaustin.org/watercon).

## Free Toilets

The City of Austin distributes thousands of free toilets each year to homeowners who are replacing old-style water-guzzling fixtures made before 1992. Additionally, a \$30 rebate is available to help offset the cost of installation by a licensed plumber. Participating customers also agree to install efficient showerheads (2.0 gallons per minute or less) and efficient kitchen and bathroom faucet aerators - all provided free of charge. If you have more than one toilet eligible for replacement, it is preferred that all (up to a maximum of three per water account) are replaced.

## Rebate Toilets

Although the above toilets work very well, customers often want a choice of styles and colors beyond the toilets offered free by the City. Therefore, several other toilet models have been selected for the rebate program. The choices are limited to models that have good flushing performance and that won't lose their efficiency when the flappers are eventually replaced. The Toilet Rebate Program provides a rebate of up to \$100 per toilet replaced (maximum of 3). This amount includes installation, if installed by a licensed plumber. (If the toilets are installed by a homeowner, the entire amount may be applied to the cost of the toilets.)

For a current list of toilet makes and models that qualify for the rebate, call 974-2199 or visit [www.cityofaustin.org/watercon](http://www.cityofaustin.org/watercon).



For more information, call 974-2199 or visit [www.cityofaustin.org/watercon](http://www.cityofaustin.org/watercon)

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