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**Galway County Council**

# WATER CONSERVATION IN THE WORKPLACE

To conserve water and save money you need to implement a water conservation programme in your business targeting the main water using areas. Depending on your business this could include areas such as processing, delicatessens, kitchens and toilets.

It is important to address the following:

- » Check for and fix leaks
- » Measure and monitor water consumption
- » Install water saving devices

## WHAT CAN BE DONE TO CONSERVE WATER?

- » Install self closing taps with aerators
- » Fit urinals/showers with water conservation devices
- » Educate staff on better water usage
- » Harvest rainwater

FURTHER INFORMATION IS AVAILABLE FROM:

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# WATER CONSERVATION ACTIONS CHECKLIST

## GENERAL

- Quantify your annual water consumption
- Quantify your annual cost of water
- Designate a staff member to monitor water on site
- Review your water management practices annually
- Monitor staff water usage
- Identify ways of reducing your water consumption
- Provide training to increase employee awareness

## OFFICE-BASED

- Use water conservation devices  
(such as restrictors in taps, toilets and urinals)
- Retrofit old or inefficient fixtures

## SITE-BASED

- Check plant for leaks on a regular basis
- Shut off water to unused areas
- Eliminate unnecessary wash-downs
- Install pressure reducing valves if pressure is too high
- Consider water efficiency when purchasing equipment
- Consider alternative water sources (e.g. rainwater)

## A FAULT IN A TOILET CISTERN COULD COST YOUR BUSINESS OVER €1,000 PER ANNUM

Know your water consumption - get acquainted with your meter. It is important to know where your water meter is and how to read it.

## KEEP THE FOLLOWING PROCEDURE IN MIND:

- » Locate the meter on your premises
- » Lift the lid and flip up protective cover to reveal the dial
- » Take the reading – black digits record cubic metres (1,000 litres), which is what you are billed for



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# SEICLIOSTA DE GHNÍOMHARTHA BAINISTITHE UISCE

## GINEARÁLTA

- Déan an méid uisce a úsáideann tú go bliantúil a mheas
- Déan do chostas uisce bliantúil a mheas
- Ainmigh duine chun monatóireacht a dhéanamh ar uisce
- Déan do chleachtais bhainistithe a athbhreithniú go bliantúil
- Déan monatóireacht ar an uisce a úsáideann an fhoireann
- Déan bealaí a aithint chun an méid uisce a úsáideann tú a laghdú
- Cuir oiliúint ar fáil chun cur le feasacht fostaithe

## OIFIGBHUNAITHE

- Úsáid daingneáin chaomhnaithe uisce (mar shriantáin i sconnaí, leithris agus úirinéil)
- Déan seandaingneáin nó daingneáin mí-éifeachtúla a aisfheistiú

## LÁTHAIRBHUNAITHE

- Seiceáil an planda le haghaidh sceitheadh uisce agus dramhuisce ar bhonn rialta
- Cas as an t-uisce go dtí limistéir nach n-úsáidtear
- Cuir deireadh le níochán gan ghá
- Déan comhláí laghdaithe brú a shuiteáil má bhíonn brú ró-ard
- Bí ag smaoineamh ar thíosáocht ar uisce agus trealamh á cheannach agat
- Bí ag smaoineamh ar fhoinsí eile uisce (m.sh. uisce báistí)

## D'FHÉADFADH LOCHT LE SISTÉAL LEITHRIS NÍOS MÓ NÁ €1,000 A CHOSAINT IN AGHAIDH NA BLIANA

Bíodh a fhios agat an méid uisce a úsáideann tú – cuir eolas ar do mhéadar. Tá sé tábhachtach fios a bheith agat cá bhfuil do mhéadar uisce agus conas é a léamh.

## COINNIGH AN NÓS IMEACHTA SEO A LEANAS I d'INTINN:

- » Aimsigh an méadar i d'áitreabh
- » Croch an clúdach agus clúdach cosanta chun an diail a thaispeáint
- » Léigh é - léiríonn na huimhreacha dubha méadair chiúbacha (1,000 lítear), is ina leith sin a ghearrtar airgead ort

## CAOMHNÚ UISCE SAN ÁIT OIBRE

Caithfidh tú clár chaomhnaithe uisce a chur i bhfeidhm i do ghnólacht a bheidh spriocdhírthe ar na príomhlímistéir ina n-úsáidtear uisce. D'fhéadfadh límistéir phróiseála, deilithe, cistineacha agus leithris a bheith i gceist leis sin, ag brath ar do ghnólacht. Tá sé tábhachtach aghaidh a thabhairt ar na nithe seo a leanas:

- » Seiceáil le haghaidh áiteanna a mbeadh uisce ag sceitheadh agus deisigh iad
- » Déan monatóireacht agus tomhas ar úsáid uisce
- » Déan gairis spárála uisce a shuiteáil

## CAD IS FÉIDIR A DHÉANAMH CHUN UISCE A CHAOMHNÚ?

- » Déan sconna féindúnta le haerthóirí a shuiteáil
- » Déan úirinéil/cithfholcadáin a fheistiú le gairis chaomhnaithe uisce
- » Déan baill foirne a oiliúint maidir le húsáid uisce
- » Bailigh uisce báistí

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