

# Water Savings - Sprinkler Spruce Up Time

While sprucing up the yard this spring, don't forget about your Sprinkler System. A well maintained sprinkler system can save money and water! Cracks in pipes and broken sprinkler heads can waste as much as **25,000** gallons of water in six months! That can cost **\$280** dollars over that six month period. So follow the four simple steps - **Inspect**, **Connect**, **Direct** and **Select**. Need help doing this? Find a Pro at [epa.gov/watersense/findapro](http://epa.gov/watersense/findapro).

**Spruce Up Your Sprinkler System**

**Inspect** sprinkler heads  
A broken sprinkler head can waste **25,000** gallons of water in six months!

**Connect** hoses and pipes well. A small leak as small as a tip of a pen can waste **6,300** gallons of water per month!

**Direct** Spray on landscapes, not on pavement.

**Select** a WaterSense® Labeled irrigation controller and water smarter.

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Does your Sprinkler need a Spruce-Up?

**Find a Pro!**

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**FIND IT FLAG IT FIX IT**  
 A CHECKLIST FOR YOUR LANDSCAPE

A simple walk through your landscape can help you save water outdoors.

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Need a checklist for your landscape to help save water? Download Find It, Flag It, Fix It at [www.epa.gov/sites/default/files/2020-04/documents/ws-outdoor-landscaping-find-it-flag-it-audit-checklist.pdf](http://www.epa.gov/sites/default/files/2020-04/documents/ws-outdoor-landscaping-find-it-flag-it-audit-checklist.pdf).

**Cycle-and-Soak**

Saves Water Outdoors

Want to learn about Cycle-and-Soak? Get a copy of the brochure at [www.epa.gov/system/files/documents/2022-03/ws-outdoor-cycle-and-soak-brochure.pdf](http://www.epa.gov/system/files/documents/2022-03/ws-outdoor-cycle-and-soak-brochure.pdf).

## Need More Information on Outdoor Water Savings?

**Do You Know How Much Water You Use Outdoors?**

Every year, the average home uses enough water outdoors to fill nearly **1,000 55-gallon barrels**.

Drop your water use by installing WaterSense labeled irrigation products.

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Learn more at [www.epa.gov/watersense/outdoors](http://www.epa.gov/watersense/outdoors)



Think about installing a rain barrel. A rain barrel can save about 1400 gallons of water from April through October. Rain water is free and plants love it. Consider installing one, and start saving water and helping the environment. If you are interested in learning about them, visit Rutgers' NJAES website [njaes.rutgers.edu/home-lawn-garden/water-conservation.php](http://njaes.rutgers.edu/home-lawn-garden/water-conservation.php). You can learn how to build one at NJDEP's Rain Barrel workshop on June 4, 2022. To register go to [eventbrite.com/e/rain-barrel-build-tickets-276173451227?aff=erelpanelorg](http://eventbrite.com/e/rain-barrel-build-tickets-276173451227?aff=erelpanelorg). Space is limited.