

### **WATERING RESTRICTIONS**

Dyess AFB follows the City of Abilene's water restriction schedule, which is based on area reservoir levels.

Consult the City of Abilene website for current watering restrictions: http://saveabilenewater.com



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## DYESS AIR FORCE BASE

# WATER CONSERVATION



### WATER CONSERVATION TIPS

### INSIDE

- Repair dripping faucets and leaky toilets.
- Install water saving shower heads, low-flow toilets, and other low-flow EPA Water Sense certified fixtures.
- The average five-minute shower uses 10 gallons of water with a low-flow shower head, while the average bath requires over 30 gallons.
- Do not leave water running while brushing teeth, shaving, or washing your face.
- Use a dishwasher instead of washing dishes by hand. Newer dishwasher models typically use less water than washing by hand.
- Run full loads in the dishwasher and washing machine.
- When refilling your pet's water bowl, give the old water to inside or outside plants rather than sending it down the drain.
- Minimize the use of kitchen sink garbage disposal units – these units require a lot of water to operate correctly and introduce solids to the sanitary system. Compost vegetable and fruit waste instead.



#### **OUTSIDE**

- Do not water paved areas. Position sprinklers to direct water to the lawn or garden only.
- Do not overwater lawns or gardens. This saves water and also prevents plant diseases.
- Use mulch to prevent water loss.
- Water lawns at night or early in the morning to reduce water loss due to evaporation.
- Avoid shallow watering which promotes a weak root system and reduces the droughttolerance of plants.
- Use hoses with nozzles that automatically shut off when not in use.
- Use drip irrigation or soaker hoses for irrigation.
- Utilize spot watering hand water with a nozzle hose or handheld container when and where it is needed instead of irrigating the entire lawn.



- Set lawn mower blades one notch higher.
   Longer grass means less evaporation and less water loss.
- Landscape with native plants and grasses that are drought- and pest-resistant.
- If legal in your area, install rain barrels or cisterns to collect rainwater for lawn and garden irrigation.
- Wash vehicles at a commercial or industrial facility where water may be reused.



