

# **Appeal to use less water**

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As the dry spell continues, the public is being asked to stop non-essential water use, including hoses and sprinklers.

## **Non-essential use**

NI Water has warned that continuing to use water for non-essential purposes will likely result in supply interruption in many areas.

It's expected a formal hose pipe ban will be introduced this weekend which will mean you can't water private gardens or cars.

## **Water saving tips**

To help save water:

- take shorter showers
- take a shower instead of a bath
- don't wash cars or vans
- turn off the tap when brushing your teeth
- avoid watering lawns – even when they look dry and brown, they'll spring back with the first heavy rain
- make sure your washing machine is full – don't put on a half load
- turn off the tap while washing your hands or shaving
- fix leaking taps
- keep a jug of water in the fridge so there's no need to run the water until it gets cold
- use a bowl for washing vegetables
- fill the kettle with only as much water as you need

## **If you experience water problems**

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