

Water Conservation

Using water at home

Do you ever think about how much water we use every day?

- We wash, shower, take a bath, clean our teeth.
- We wash our clothes, wash the floors, wash the car.
- We use water when preparing meals and for drinking.
- We water plants in the house and in the garden.

Each person in Britain uses about 142 litres of water a day, which is enough to fill two baths! Think about how much water is used every day by the 67 million people living in Great Britain.

If we use our water carefully, we can help protect the environment and save money.

Using water at school

Schools use water in the kitchens for preparing school meals, in the toilets, and to clean the classrooms. Your school may be lucky enough to have a swimming pool.

How industry uses water

Although you might think that homes and schools use a lot of water, in fact most of our water (almost two-thirds) is used by industry and agriculture. So it is important that they use water wisely.

How they use water

Factories	Heating and cooling machines, driving machinery.
Farms	Watering the land (irrigation), water for animals
Hospitals	Cleaning equipment, heating the hospital
Leisure	Swimming pools

Factoid

The Fawley oil refinery uses over 35 million litres of water in one day. The Royal Bournemouth Hospital uses 120 million litres of water in one year.

How Bournemouth Water saves water

Bournemouth Water looks after the pipes that bring water to all the buildings in your area – including your house. You may have seen the blue water pipes when the roads are being dug up.



You may have a **water meter** at home.

A water meter measures how much water is going into your house so you are only charged for the water that you use. This encourages people to use water carefully.

Bournemouth Water is continually checking for leaks so they can repair any leaking or burst pipes as soon as possible.

Find out more

See our website: [bournemouthwater.co.uk/advice-and-services/save-water/](https://www.bournemouthwater.co.uk/advice-and-services/save-water/)