

Slow the flow of wasted water

Almost 75% of all the water we use at home flows out of the bathroom.

Homeowners in the GTA need to do what they can to conserve water, particularly in July and August. Since most of the water consumed in a household is used in the bathroom, we'll focus there.

- If you don't have a low-flow toilet, place a pop bottle filled with water in the bottom of the tank. Don't use a brick, since it can deteriorate and can cause damage.

- Don't use the toilet as a garbage disposal – put tissues and tampons in the waste basket.

- Check that faucets aren't leaking – replac-

ing worn washers can save litres of water.

- Check for leaks from the toilet tank into the bowl by adding a few drops of food colouring to the tank. If it shows up in the bowl, you have a leak.

- Take shorter showers and turn off the flow while you soap up or shave. Flow restrictors are inexpensive and easy to install yourself.

- Turn off the tap while washing your face, brushing your teeth or shaving. There's no need to have the water running continuously while you tidy up. 🌱