

# Showerhead Quick Reference

This fact sheet provides a quick overview of BC Hydro rebates and important details about water saving showerheads.

From **May 1 to August 21, 2026**, BC Hydro will be providing instant discounts on select high-efficiency WaterSense® showerheads at participating retailers. These showerheads are among the most water and energy-efficient models available and help customers reduce hot water use and save money. Visit [bchydro.com/deals](https://bchydro.com/deals) on **May 1** for a complete list of eligible products.

**Discount offer:** Save **\$10** on select WaterSense® certified showerheads.

Eligible showerhead criteria:

- Must have a **flow rate of 1.8 GPM (gallons per minute) or less**.
- **Limit of five (5) units** per approved product, per customer transaction.
- Eligible products must be listed on BC Hydro's **Qualified Product List**.
- Eligible products must also appear on the **WaterSense® Product Finder**.
- Must be **new products only** (no open-box or refurbished units).
- Retail price limited to products between \$20 to \$100 per unit.
- Rebates are available to **BC Hydro residential customers** in **BC Hydro's service territory**.
- Discount is per unit and is provided by **BC Hydro and FortisBC**.



## WaterSense®

WaterSense® certified products must demonstrate that they have a flow rate of no more than 2.0 GPM. They must meet performance requirements including spray force to ensure water pressure is sufficient. They also need to have adequate spray distribution to ensure the shower stream has proper coverage.

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## ENERGY SAVINGS & MAINTENANCE

### Water-saving showerhead overview

Canadians use an average of 223 litres of water per person per day, and showers are often the largest source of hot water use, accounting for 15% of total household energy consumption. Switching from a standard 2.5 GPM showerhead to a 1.8 GPM model can save 27 litres of water in a 10-minute shower.

Upgrading to a WaterSense® certified showerhead can save a household up to \$100 annually, based on two showers per day.

### Showerhead maintenance

To maintain performance, remove and clean your showerhead monthly to prevent sediment, mold, and mineral build-up. Replace the showerhead if you notice inconsistent spray patterns, leaks, or fluctuating pressure/temperature that cleaning cannot resolve.

When installing a new showerhead, use plumber's tape to ensure a tight seal and reduce leaks.

### Installing a new showerhead is an easy and low-cost DIY upgrade.

Water-saving showerheads help reduce household water use and lower your energy bills, all without compromising water pressure or shower comfort. You may also want to choose a model with a built-in flow restrictor, which allows you to adjust the water flow to match your preferred pressure.

Watch **"DIY with Dave"** — a step-by-step guide to installing a water-saving showerhead.

▶ YouTube: <https://uqr.to/davebch>



## FAQS

**Q: How does BC Hydro determine whether a showerhead qualifies for a discount?**

**A:** To be eligible, a showerhead must be WaterSense® certified and have a flow rate of 1.8 GPM or less.

**Q: Will using a low-flow showerhead reduce my water pressure?**

**A:** No. WaterSense® showerheads are engineered to maintain strong spray performance while using less water.

**Q: Are all showerheads compatible with all showers?**

**A:** Yes. Showerheads in Canada and the U.S. use a standard ½-inch NPT thread, making them compatible with most shower arms.

## CONTACT & RESOURCES

**Rebate details & eligible products:** visit [bchydro.com/deals](https://bchydro.com/deals).

**Buying guidance:** learn more about selecting efficient units at [epa.gov/watersense](https://epa.gov/watersense).

**Support & materials:** for questions or to request additional signage, please email our team at [retail@bchydro.com](mailto:retail@bchydro.com).