

## We're Proud to Support Concept Cubicle Systems Raise Awareness for WaterAid!

Access to clean water in the UK is something many of us take for granted and, unfortunately, there are communities all over the world without clean water. That's why NRC Services Ltd are proud to raise awareness of water wastage in the UK and how we can prevent it. We are thrilled to be supporting [Concept Cubicle Systems](#) Postathon and by publishing this fact sheet on our website we are donating £10 to [Wateraid](#) and the fantastic work they do.

### How Can We Save Water?

We can all get better at saving water in our homes, schools, and offices if we are just more aware of our water usage and how we can reduce it. So, here are some of the easiest ways you can save water:

- **Turn the tap off while brushing your teeth:** this is one of the biggest water-wasters there is. Running your tap while brushing your teeth can waste a shocking 4 gallons of water! So, turn the tap off.
- **Don't Use a Garden Hose:** during the summer, it can be tempting and convenient to water your garden with a hose. However, this can use as much water in one hour as a family of four uses in a whole day.
- **Update your toilet:** the older your toilet, the more likely it is wasting water. Older toilets can waste 3 gallons of clean water with every flush, while updating your toilet with a newer model can use as little as 1 gallon.
- **Use an efficient dishwasher:** dishwashers, if they are efficient, can save more water than washing your dishes by hand. Old dishwashers can use a shocking 13 gallons of water per use in comparison to newer models which use as little as 4 gallons per wash cycle.
- **Fix leaking taps:** a leaky tap is one of the biggest water wasters and can waste as much as 5,000 litres of every year.
- **Don't Buy Bottled Water:** 1/3 of the world's funds that are spent on bottled water every year could be used to pay for projects providing water to people in need. What's more, ditching bottled water can help reduce plastic and save the environment, so it's a win-win!
- **Choose a shower over a bath:** baths take around 70 gallons of water to fill, compared to 18 gallons of water used in showers. So, whenever you can, choose a shower over a bath.

### Why It's Important to Raise Awareness of Water Usage

There are so many reasons why it's important that we raise awareness of water usage in the UK and the amount we waste, but most importantly it's because;

- 2.3 billion people around the world do not have a decent toilet of their own.
- 844 million people don't have access to clean water that is close to their home.
- Diarrhoea because of dirty water and poor toilet facilities kills a child under 5 every 2 minutes.

- Around the world up to 443 million school days are lost because of water-related illnesses every single year.
- Around the globe, 31% of schools are unable to provide clean water.
- 3.3 billion litres of water are wasted throughout the UK because of leaking taps and pipes.
- 200 million working hours are consumed by women collecting water for their families in just one day.
- 200 children die every hour because of drinking unsafe water.
- 80% of all illnesses in the developing world are water related.
- If you filled a 4-litre jug with water and it represented all the water in the world, the fresh water available to mankind would only equate to one tablespoon's worth.
- 3 gallons of water, the amount we use to flush a toilet, is how much water many people around the world must survive on every day.
- 50% of water is lost through leaks in cities in the developing world.

Let's be aware of how much water we use and how much of it is wasted. If we are mindful we can make small changes for a better future. There are so many communities desperate for clean water and if we can donate, even a small amount, and be more aware of the money we are wasting, we can inspire change.