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Effective ways to reduce water use include installing flow restrictors and/or reduced flow aerators on lavatory, sink, and shower fixtures; installing and maintaining metering faucets; installing high-efficiency flush fixtures, such as high-efficiency water closets and urinals; and collecting rainwater. In certain cases, faucets with low-flow rates are not appropriate. For example, in kitchen sinks, faucets are used to fill pots and buckets. Using a low-flow rate for tasks where the volume of water is predetermined does not save water and will likely cause user dissatisfaction and inefficiencies. Consider alternative strategies to reduce water use, such as installing special-use pot fillers and faucets or foot pedal–operated faucets. WaterSense, a partnership program sponsored by EPA, helps consumers identify the most water-efficient products and programs. WaterSense-labeled products exceed the requirements of the Uniform Plumbing Code and the International Plumbing Code for some fixtures and fittings. WaterSense products and other high-efficiency plumbing fixtures, fittings, and appliances can be installed in the same way as conventional EPAct plumbing fixtures and fittings, as well as Energy Star appliances.