

Tips & tricks to manage **hard water**



Use a pool test kit to discover home water hardness level



Unscrew faucet aerator and clean – or replace



Run a cup of white vinegar in the dishwasher rinse cycle or coffeemaker



Use lemon juice to spray and soak fixtures



Use a rinse aid in your dishwasher



Use a wire brush to unclog deposits in valves and pipes



Regularly flush your water heater



Regularly change swamp cooler pads & add an in-line filter



Set water heater to 120-125 degrees



Use cleaning products designed to minimize hard water impact



Maintain home treatment systems according to manufacturer's guidelines



Click or download **Navigating the Waters** to understand the pros & cons of home treatment systems

cms3.tucsonaz.gov/files/water/docs/NavigatingWaters.pdf

Symptoms

- White film or spots
- Mineral deposits & buildup
- Clogged taps
- Difficulty creating soap lather

Why Manage Hard Water

- More efficient appliances
- Save money on utility bills
- Extend pipe & appliance life
- Better tasting water
- Color-bright laundry

Hard water is safe to drink and not a health risk!



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