

Leak Detection and Repair

Did you know that dripping faucets and leaking toilets account for as much as 14% of all indoor water use? That is equivalent to 10 gallons of water loss per person, per day. Here are some tips to prevent this from being a problem in your home, and save you money along the way.



Read Your Water Meter

- * Use your water meter to check for leaks in your home. Start by turning off all faucets and water-using appliances and make sure no one uses water during the testing period.
- * Take a reading on your water meter, wait for about 30 minutes, and take a second reading. If the dial has moved, you may have a leak.

Check for Leaky Toilets

- * The most common source of leaks is the toilet. Check toilets for leaks by placing a few drops of food coloring in the tank. If after 15 minutes the dye shows up in the bowl, the toilet has a leak.
- * Leaky toilets can usually be repaired inexpensively by replacing the flapper valve.

Check for Leaky faucets

- * The next place to check for leaks is your sink and bathtub faucets. Replacing the rubber O-ring or washer inside the valve can usually repair dripping faucets.

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