

Leak Detection & Repair

Studies show that dripping faucets and leaking toilets account for as much as 14% of all indoor water use, equivalent to 10 gallons per person of water lost per day.

Read Your Water Meter

Use your water meter to check for leaks in your home. Make sure no one uses water during the testing period and follow these steps:

1. Find your water meter and open the plastic flip top covering the dial.
2. You will note a small red pin-wheel shaped dial to the left of the red needle.
3. When water is not being used, the small red dial should not be moving. If it is moving, you should look for a leak.
4. The faster the wheel moves, the larger the 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.

Check for Leaky Faucets

The next place to check for leaks is your sink and bathtub faucets. Dripping faucets can usually be repaired by replacing the rubber o-ring or washer inside the valve.

