

FIX A LEAK WEEK

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LEAKS CAN RUN, BUT THEY CAN'T HIDE

The most common types of leaks found in homes are found in worn toilet flappers, faucets, shower heads, and other valves. Finding and fixing leaks will save you water and money all year long!



HOW TO CHECK FOR LEAKS

- Check your water usage for winter months, such as January or February. If a family of four exceeds 16 Units per month, there may be serious leaks.
- To check for toilet leaks, add a drop of food coloring to the toilet tank. If any color ends up in the bowl after 10 minutes, you have a leak. Flush the toilet immediately to avoid staining. If there is a leak, it may be due to a worn-out toilet flapper.
- Examine faucet gaskets and pipe fittings for any water on the outside of the pipe. If water is present you may have a leak.
- Make sure there is a tight connection between your shower head and pipe stem by using Teflon tape.
- Check your irrigation system for broken and misaligned sprinklers.

The EPA estimates that homeowners can save about 10% on their water bills by fixing leaks. For more information on finding and fixing common household leaks, please visit the link to the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) website below.

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