

# How To Detect Leaks

A small leak, about the size of a pin head, dripping at one drop per second can add up to 7 gallons of water a day. A large leak, the kind most often found in toilets, can waste 200 gallons of water or more per day! Check out the following when you suspect a leak:

## Faucets

Check Faucets in the bathroom and kitchen periodically. Worn washers are most often the cause of dripping faucets.

## Irrigation Systems

Broken sprinkler heads or damaged underground pipes are common sources of irrigation system leaks. Watch your system run at least once a month to spot problems early. Have a professional winterize your irrigation system to prevent problems at seasonal start-up.

## Toilets

Check toilets for leaks often. The most common causes of a leaking toilet are:

1. Float device set too high, which causes water to run into the overflow tube.
2. A warped or cracked flapper.

**Don't forget to use your water meter to detect leaks.**

Check out our website for further information on "[How To Read Your Meter](#)".



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