

Leak Detection Tips:

Most common reasons for high water usage are excessive irrigation and leaky plumbing fixtures.

Did you know??

- A 1/32" leak wastes 170 gallons of water in 24 hours
- A 1/16" leak wastes 940 gallons of water in 24 hours
- A 1/2" leak wastes 3600 gallons of water in 24 hours

How to detect a leak

1. Make sure all water using fixtures in your home are not in use.
2. Check to see if the leak indicator on the face of the meter is moving. If it is, there is a leak or something is using water.
3. Write down your meter reading number before you go to bed and when you wake up in the morning to see if water is running during the night. You can also do this in the morning before you leave and when you get home. Monitor this for 2-4 weeks to see when you are using water that you are not aware of.
4. To see if your toilet has a slow leak you can put a drop of dye in the back of the tank. If, without flushing, the water in your toilet bowl turns color, this is an indicator that you have a leak. It may be the seal inside the tank is old or warped and does not seal properly.
5. If you have a water softener and you have not filled it with salt, this will cause it to dump the un-softened water and refill the tank. If there is no salt to soften the water it will keep regenerating wasting a lot of water. Also keep in mind if you have lost electricity for any reason, your water softener may be programed to default back to the manufacturers settings causing it to regenerate more often.
6. It may be a good idea to have a plumber come out if you are unable to find anything.



Low Flow Indicator