



Detecting Water Leaks

Are you ready to chase down leaks? This March 20-26 is the EPA's 14th annual 'Fix a Leak Week!' Here are some tips for finding water leaks and preventing wasted water all year long.

RESTART SMART

If you've been away from home for an extended period, *especially* during extreme weather or freezing, use caution when turning water back on in case of burst pipes. Know where your meter box is and how to see whether water is flowing through it.

RUNNING & DRIPPING

Seemingly small issues like dripping faucets and running toilets add up quickly on your water bill. A shower dripping 10 times per minute wastes more than 500 gallons of water annually. Replace leaky and faulty fixtures to save water - and money!

VALVES, FLAPPERS & GASKETS

Performing regular checks & maintenance on your pipes and fixtures is a great way to prevent leaks before they begin. Toilet flappers (valve seals), faucet gaskets and washers, pipe fittings, and valves can wear out over time.



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TRILLION GALLONS OF WATER
ANNUALLY NATIONWIDE**



SAVE OUR WATER, SAVE YOUR MONEY

Common household leaks are often easy to fix, requiring only a few tools and hardware that can pay for themselves in water savings. Fixing easily corrected household water leaks can save homeowners about 10 percent on their water bills. Check out the EPA's WaterSense website for more tips and checklists for detecting and repairing leaks!