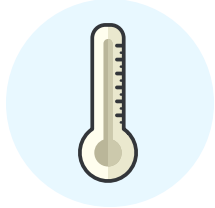


FROZEN WATER PIPES

Keep your pipes flowing this winter with these helpful tips



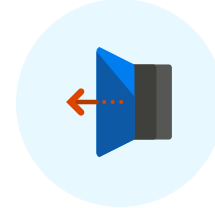
Set Your Thermostat to 55°+

Set your thermostat above 55 degrees, especially if you will be away for an extended time.



Turn on Faucets

Turn on the faucet farthest away from your main valve to a small, steady trickle.



Keep Pipes Warm

Warm pipes in cupboards and vanities by opening the doors.



Wrap Pipes

Wrap pipes with insulation or even newspaper if they are exposed to cold air.



Eliminate Cold Air Sources

Close off crawl spaces, seal drafty windows and doors, and insulate walls and attics to eliminate cold air sources near pipes.



Remove Garden Hoses

Remove, drain and store garden hoses.

If Your Pipes Freeze...

- Shut off the water immediately at the main shut off valve.
- Melt frozen water in the pipes slowly by warming the air around it using a hair dryer or wrapping pipes in warm towels.
- Never use a kerosene heater, blow torch or open flame and keep heat away from flammable materials.
- Once pipes are thawed, slowly turn water back on.
- Check all pipes and joints for leaks or cracks.
- Leaks or pools of water from pipes means there was a burst or crack.
- Call a plumbing professional if you suspect a burst pipe or can't find the frozen section.