

Water leaks can occur at any time for a variety of reasons. Many are simple fixes, while other leaks may require consultation with a plumber or a landscape irrigation system professional.

Top 2 reasons for high water bills:

1. Irrigation leaks
2. Silent toilet leaks

In the bathroom

☐ **Toilets** - Place 10 drops of food coloring in the toilet tank. Do not flush. If any color shows up in the bowl after 20-30 minutes, you have a leak.

In the kitchen

☐ **Appliances** - Check for pooling water underneath dishwashers and refrigerators with ice makers.

In the basement

☐ **Water heater** - Check beneath the tank for pooling water, rust or other signs of leakage.

☐ **Whole house filtration and reverse osmosis systems** - Check to see if they are working properly. Look for signs of leakage.

☐ **Water softeners and humidifiers** - Water softeners and humidifiers can malfunction and cause continuous flow without you knowing. Check to see if they are working properly. Check the base of both appliances for pooling water.

Outside

☐ **Spigot** - Ensure tight connections with the hose and check the hose washer to see if it needs to be replaced.

☐ **Pressure** - Check for loss or lower pressure of spray heads. This can be seen when your yard is being watered unevenly.

☐ **Irrigation system** - Check for broken sprinklers or nozzles spraying in the wrong direction. Also, check for faulty zone valves and other underground issues with sprinkler pipes and connections. Check your irrigation clock and look for overwatering and/or look to see if it reset without your knowledge.

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