

WATER COSTS MONEY DON'T WASTE IT THRU LEAKS!!!

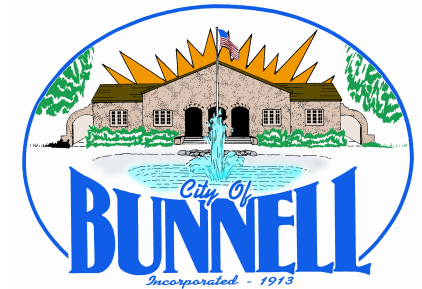
Diameter of Leak in Inches	Losses at 60 psi			
	Gallons Per Day	Gallons Per Month	Gallons Per Quarter	Gallons Per Year
1/32"	203	6,090	18,270	74,095
1/16"	811	24,330	72,990	296,015
1/8"	3,243	97,290	291,870	1,183,695
1/4"	13,128	393,840	1,181,520	4,791,720

HOW DO I SAVE ON MY WATER BILL?

- Install low flow toilets and low volume shower heads
- Take shorter showers
- Check regularly for leaks
- Repair dripping faucets & leaking toilets
- Use the proper water level when doing laundry
- Make sure the dishwasher is full before washing a load
- When doing dishes by hand, fill one sink with soapy water and rinse under slow running water as needed
- Don't let water run when you're shaving or brushing your teeth
- Store drinking water in the refrigerator instead of letting the tap run

AVERAGE WATER USE	GALLONS
Bath	39-40
Shower	30-40
Brushing Teeth	2
Laundry (per load)	40-50
Toilet Flushing	10
Dishwashing	15
Cooking	8
Lawn Watering (per minute)	10

Tips for Leak Detection & Potable Water Conservation



LEAKS

Easy Toilet Check

Take the lid off the back of the toilet. Add enough food coloring to color the water. Let it sit for 1-2 hours and if any of the color goes into the toilet bowl, the flapper needs replacing. Toilet leaks can be expensive and quite often a running toilet will create no noise and go unnoticed. Also, make sure that the handle isn't sticking when flushing.



Faucets & Hot Water Heaters

Dripping faucets and leaky hot water heaters not only raise your water bill, they also raise your electric bill. Regular maintenance can save you money! Replace worn out faucets and check around your hot water heater monthly for signs of water leaking.

Check outside spigots are shut off when not in use.

Sprinkler Systems

Sprinkler systems can leak just like any other water system. Check for broken sprinkler heads and make sure no zone is greener or wetter than others. Make sure that a rain sensor has been installed on your sprinkler system.

Water Softeners

If you have a water softener installed, check it on a routine basis. Softeners can leak and go unnoticed

Pools

If you own a pool, your bills may fluctuate according to your water usage. Please be conscientious about water conservation.



Sewer Adjustments

Adjustments are considered for pool fills and leaks. Leaks must be repaired and your water bill must return to normal usage before adjustments can be made. Sewer adjustment requests may be submitted with receipts through the customer service office no more than 90 days after the incident occurred. Adjustments are subject to approval on a case by case basis.

Sewer adjustments are not made when the water runs into the sewer system.

Learn to Read Your Meter

Your meter can help you detect hidden leaks. It is usually located in the front of your house close to the sidewalk. Remove the lid, clear the dirt with a trowel and spray with water to clean the face of the meter. The meter reads like the odometer on your car.



If the water faucet indicator (see red arrow) is flashing you have an intermittent leak. If the water faucet indicator is on continuously you have a continuous leak. Check for broken or damaged pipes. Sporadic leaks may not always be visible so check often.