

The Frozen Pipe Prevention System™

Description

Every year, we hear about pipes bursting and it's a mess. If it happens while you are away, it can be a disaster, with water running through your home for days. But there are steps you can take to prevent this from happening.

Prior to Cold Snaps

- Look:** Do you have pipes on outside walls, under sinks or in unheated crawl spaces?
- Insulate or use Heat Wrap** on exposed pipes. Make sure to use CSA or ULC approved products and follow installation instructions.
- Disconnect** garden hoses and if possible use an indoor valve to shut off water to these faucets.

On Cold Days

- A trickle of water left running** might be all it takes to prevent a freeze.
- Open** cabinet doors to let warm air flow around cold areas.

If You Go Away

- Set the Thermostat to no lower than 12deg.**
- Ask someone to** check your house daily to make sure it's warm enough to prevent freezing.
- Shut off** the water and drain pipes.
- Check with us** – most policies contain restrictions for water damage if you are away for more than 96 hours during the regular heating season, unless you have taken certain preventative measures. (Daily checks, pipes drained.)

If Your Pipes Freeze

- Don't take chances** – Call a plumber and shut-off the main water valve into the house. (You do know where this is?)
- Do not try to thaw with a torch or open flame.** It's just too risky.