

Winterize Your Pipes

Hopefully you'll never experience a pipe break. To help prevent a water pipe from freezing and bursting during cold weather this winter, please follow these steps.

* Disconnect and drain outdoor hoses. Detaching the hose could keep your hose bibs and pipes from freezing. Also installing insulators that fit over your hose bibs can help prevent freezing during cold spells. They can be purchased at any hardware store.

* Insulate pipes and faucets in unheated areas. Both hardware and building supply stores have good pipe wrapping materials available that help protect pipes

* Locate your master shutoff; it may be located near the water heater or washing machine. Most likely it's where the water line comes into your home from the street. If a pipe bursts this valve should turn the water off to that pipe. When you locate the valve it is a good idea to paint it a bright color, or place a tag on it.

* Check the outdoor meter box. CCUD maintains the meter box. If your meter does not have a cover or if the meter is exposed to cold weather; Please let us know about the problem.

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