

CHECK FOR WATER LEAKS

There are several ways to check for water leaks...Here are a few to try.

Pick a time when no water is running. Look at the water meter (if unsure where it is located-contact Judy in the Water Dept at 810.329.9042). If the numbers are advancing, there is a leak somewhere.

YOUR TOILET IS THE FIRST PLACE TO CONSIDER FOR A LEAK! In 24 hours, a toilet can leak up to 2,500 gallons of water. There are times you can hear your toilet "running"; however, the worst leaks are when you cannot hear it. Here are two ways to detect a leak:

*To check for a leak caused by a ballcock that needs adjusting:

Remove the tank top. Sprinkle powder on top of the water and look to see if the powder drifts to the overflow tube. If it does your ballcock needs to be adjusted.

*To check for a leak caused by a faulty tank/bowl seal or flapper seal:

Drop dye into the tank of the toilet. Wait a few minutes. If you can see the water seeping into the bowl this indicates that your seal needs to be serviced. Seals can get dirt under them which can cause loss through a faulty seal.

CHECK FOR DRIPPING FAUCETS AND/OR TUBS. OUTSIDE FAUCETS SHOULD BE CHECKED TO MAKE SURE THEY ARE NOT RUNNING.