

Avoid burst water pipes this winter!




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Act *now* to protect your property.

A few simple preparations could avoid the unnecessary waste of water and damage to your home that burst pipes can bring.

1

Find your main stop valve and make sure it works (in case you need to turn your water supply off in an emergency).

Where the water supply pipe meets your household plumbing there will be an internal stop tap. This allows you to turn the water supply to your household plumbing on and off. The main stop valve will usually be located under the kitchen sink but may be located elsewhere depending on where the service pipe enters your property.

2

Insulate all pipe work and storage cisterns in unheated areas such as lofts, roofs, outbuildings and garages.

Keep the house warm - block out draughts. Check the lagging on pipes and tanks and improve it where necessary - this will help to stop pipes freezing in the first place. Check that loft insulation is thick enough to withstand cold weather, and is in good enough condition.

3

If you are going away for a short period, leave your central heating on a low thermostat setting to reduce the risk of frost damage.

If you are going away for a long period, we recommend you take advice from your plumber on how best to protect your property from potential water damage.

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