

Water Wise



Who provides water to West Edge Park and Auburn Mobile Home Park?

The Park purchases water from the City of Auburn's municipal supply, and provides that water to each home site. Homeowners reimburse the Park for the actual water used each month, based on each home's individual meter reading. This arrangement allows the Park to pass on water volume discount savings to all residents, making homeowner water bills lower here than in many surrounding areas.

How much water usage is "normal"?

An average person uses 40 gallons of water per day. Compare your household's usage to the monthly averages below:

# People	Gallons Per Month	Approximate Water & Sewer Bill
1	1,250	\$18.99
2	2,500	\$32.24
3	3,750	\$45.50
4	5,000	\$58.76

What if my water usage is way above average?

Check for indoor leaks: Look for dripping faucets, toilets that continue running long after a flush, moisture under sinks, wet spots around faucets and bathtubs, leaks in the hoses that connect the washing machine and dishwasher, and around the water heater. Next, check for outdoor leaks: Look for drips on pipes and water connections, and puddles that don't evaporate quickly. Be sure to check outdoor faucets and sprinklers also.

Did You Know?

A toilet that runs constantly after flushing can waste 2 gallons of water *per minute*.

A dripping faucet can use the same amount of water as 15 showers in a month.

If a family of 4 turns off water while brushing their teeth, they will save 5,840 gallons of water this year!

Who should I call about a problem or a leak?

A: Homeowners in the community are responsible for maintaining water and sewer lines to their homes, beginning at the ground connection. This includes protecting the water meter and water lines under your home from freezing by using heat tape, and also being careful not to drain or flush items which could create a sewer line clog. If you discover a water or sewer problem, please do the following:

Call a Plumber if:

- The leak is inside your home
- The leak is under your home above ground level
- Toilets, bathtubs or sinks are clogged
- Your heat tape is not working correctly or your water lines are frozen

Call the Park Office if:

- There is a leak underground, in the yard, or in the street
- A leak is coming from a neighbor's home
- A storm drain or main sewer line is clogged
- To obtain a replacement water meter if yours is broken or frozen. There is a \$72.00 charge for the meter plus an installation fee.



Winter Water Tips:

- 1) Be sure that your heat tape is wrapped tightly around pipes, plugged in, and warm to the touch.
- 2) Close all gaps in skirting.
- 3) Open cabinet doors to allow heat to pipes.
- 4) If you will be gone from the home for an extended period of time, or will not have electric or heat in the home, first have the home "winterized". Pipes should be emptied of all water (air-blown) and a non-toxic anti-freezing agent used to protect the pipes.