

Hose Bib Winter Maintenance

Properly preparing your hose bib involves turning off the water at the shutoff valve, opening the spigot and leaving it open all winter to prevent burst hose bib pipes.

1. Disconnect Hoses from the Hose Bib

Disconnect all the hoses, sprinklers and other water using items from all of the hose bibs prior to the first frost of the winter season. Make sure those items are completely drained of water and properly stored to prevent damage.

2. Locate the Hose Bib Shutoff Valves

Locate all of the indoor shutoff valves for the hose bibs and turn the handles to the off position. Each hose bib has its own shutoff valve.

3. Open all the Spigots

Lastly, open all the hose bibs to let the water drain from the water supply lines. Leave the bibs OPEN during winter to allow any water that may seep into the bib to drain.