



# 6 Tips to Keep Your Pipes From Freezing

As temperatures drop, the risk of frozen pipes increases in your home. If your pipes freeze, they may burst, causing severe damage. To prevent frozen pipes this winter, follow these tips:



Set your thermostat to at least 55 F—the lower the temperature of your home, the more likely your pipes will freeze.



Insulate exposed pipes with insulation materials such as foam rubber or fiberglass sleeves.



Open any cabinets that contain exposed pipes to allow warm air from your home to circulate around the pipes.



Allow your water faucets to drip to help relieve pressure in the pipes and prevent them from bursting.



Seal any cracks in the foundation or any outside walls to prevent cold air from seeping into your home.



Locate all shut-off valves so, if a pipe were to burst, you could quickly turn off water to prevent water damage.