

Irrigation System Maintenance and Winterization

Irrigation systems require ongoing maintenance and care for proper and efficient operation. In the mid to late fall irrigation systems should be drained or blown out with compressed air to remove water from the lines. Failure to do so can result in frozen and cracked pipes that can cause major damage to your yard, sprinkler system and house. Vacuum Breakers should be turned off and drained properly and wrapped with a heavy duty plastic bag until spring.

In the spring when the growing season starts and the chance of a freeze is unlikely it is time to activate your irrigation system. At that time it is best to adjust sprinkler heads and test lines to make sure everything is up and running.

During the growing season and even in winter it is good to mark out where your sprinkler heads are located so they are not hit, cut or broke due to lawn mowers, yard trimmers and shovels.