

## WATER LEAKS ??

Water bill too high? Feel there is no way you could possibly consume so much water? We hope this list of ways to check for water leaks will help you to find leaks and cut the cost of water that is being wasted through leaks.

### Where is the leak?

Check the following for leaks:

- Toilets. Listen to them. Are they continually filling?
- Swamp coolers and air conditioners.
- Faucets, shower heads, etc.
- Outside faucets and hoses. Also check around your property to make sure there are no damp spots or unusually green areas.

**If you feel it is not inside or outside (above ground) maybe you have a leak in the lines themselves. Here is one way to test for this:**

Make sure there is no water running inside or outside your home or place of business. Find your meter box and look at the dial that resembles an automotive odometer (see illustration), this measures every 10 gallons. The sweep hand (see illustration) measures single gallons.

Make note of where both of these are stopped. Wait approximately 10 minutes before checking it again to see if the dial has the same numbers and the sweep hand has not moved. If these are in the same place it means no water has passed through the meter. If it has moved, it means water has passed through the meter and if you were not using water at the time of testing it would indicate a leak. Some meter dials have a Low Flow/Leak Indicator (red triangle). If the red triangle is moving, water is passing through the meter.

