



Why does my house have low water pressure?

Private Home Valves. Sometimes valves are partially or completely turned off by accident. There are two main valves that you should make certain are in the “on” position, the private water valve (if installed) on your property and the main water valve located near the street in the meter box. Even if slightly turned from the “on” position, these valves can cause a decrease in water flow.

Water Leaks. Any damage to the pipe that results in a leak, whether large or small, will result in a lower water pressure. The issue here is how to determine if you have a leak or not. Read the meter and not your bill. To do this, you should shut off all water taps inside and outside your home. Read the meter after doing this and return two hours later. If your water usage has increased, chances are you have a leak and need to contact a **plumber as soon as possible**.

Peak Periods. Although you might not realize it, most of us operate during the same hours during the day. So, low water pressure could be the result of the majority of your neighborhood using the shower at the same time every morning or watering the lawn at the same time every evening. If that’s the case, you might look at altering your schedule a bit.

Mineral Deposits. In older homes or homes built with galvanized iron pipes, mineral deposits are unavoidable over time and it doesn’t help that hot water and horizontal pipes speed up the process. But if you believe the problem to be a result of mineral deposits, the best thing to do is get a reputable **plumber** to the house for an estimate so you can gauge the extent of repairs that may need to be made.

Call Public Works @ 910-256-7935 to have a meter cut on or off for plumbing repairs.

(Reference Town of Wrightsville Beach ordinance # 50.082
DISCONNECTION, RECONNECTION AND METER READING FEES.)

