



YOUR GUIDE TO AUTUMN EFFICIENCY

Save water, prevent damage and reduce costs this season



Get prepared

Autumn brings cooler temperatures, shorter days and wetter weather, changes that can affect your business premises. Frozen or burst pipes, blocked gutters and unnoticed leaks can lead to water loss, property damage and higher water bills.

This guide offers practical steps to help your business stay prepared, covering outdoor maintenance, plumbing checks, leak detection and employee awareness. These actions can save water, protect your premises and keep operations efficient through the colder months.

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Outdoor areas and seasonal maintenance

Autumn weather can put pressure on the exterior of your building. Proactive maintenance helps you avoid costly repairs later in the season.



Leaves and gutters

Regularly clear gutters, downpipes, and drains of fallen leaves and debris. Blockages can lead to flooding, damp, and long-term structural damage.



Rainwater collection

Install or maintain water butts and tanks to capture rainwater. This can be reused for irrigation, outdoor cleaning or landscaping, cutting down potable water use.



Exterior equipment

Drain and store seasonal equipment such as garden hoses and outdoor taps. Insulating or shutting them off helps prevent water freezing and pipes bursting.



Irrigation systems

Adjust or switch off automated watering systems as rainfall increases. Overwatering is wasteful and can damage plants and grounds.

Check inside before it gets cold

Prepare your plumbing and heating before the temperatures drop. This 4-step process helps avoid frozen pipes, prevents breakdowns and maintains efficiency.

1

Inspect pipework

Walk through your premises and check exposed pipes for cracks, drips or damp patches. Fixing small issues early helps avoid costly bursts later.

2

Insulate pipes

Ensure pipes in unheated areas of your business, like basements or service rooms, are insulated to prevent freezing and protect your water supply.

3

Test systems

Run heating and hot water before the cold sets in. Make sure radiators and thermostats are working properly, and schedule repairs if needed.

4

Service boilers

A routine service keeps equipment efficient, reduces energy and water waste, and lowers the risk of mid-winter breakdowns.

Spot leaks, save money

Spotting leaks early and encouraging water-wise habits among employees can save your business money and prevent damage. Simple monitoring and proactive behaviour make a big difference over the colder months.

Smart monitoring

- Regular checks on taps, toilets and pipework
- Use smart meters where possible
- Fix leaks immediately

Employee habits

- Report drips and leaks quickly
- Look out for unusual water use
- Promote water-wise actions



Your autumn efficiency checklist

Keep your business running smoothly this autumn with simple water-saving checks.

Outdoor checks

- ☐ Clear leaves and debris from gutters and drains
- ☐ Inspect outdoor taps and hoses for leaks
- ☐ Protect pipes and meters from frost

Indoor checks

- ☐ Check taps, toilets and showers for leaks
- ☐ Insulate exposed pipes to prevent freezing
- ☐ Service boilers and heating systems

Water saving actions

- ☐ Monitor water meters to detect spikes or leaks
- ☐ Review irrigation and landscaping systems
- ☐ Train employees on responsible water use

Castle Water tools and support

- ☐ Use your customer portal to track water usage
- ☐ Use our guides and tips to improve efficiency
- ☐ Contact us for advice or tailored solutions



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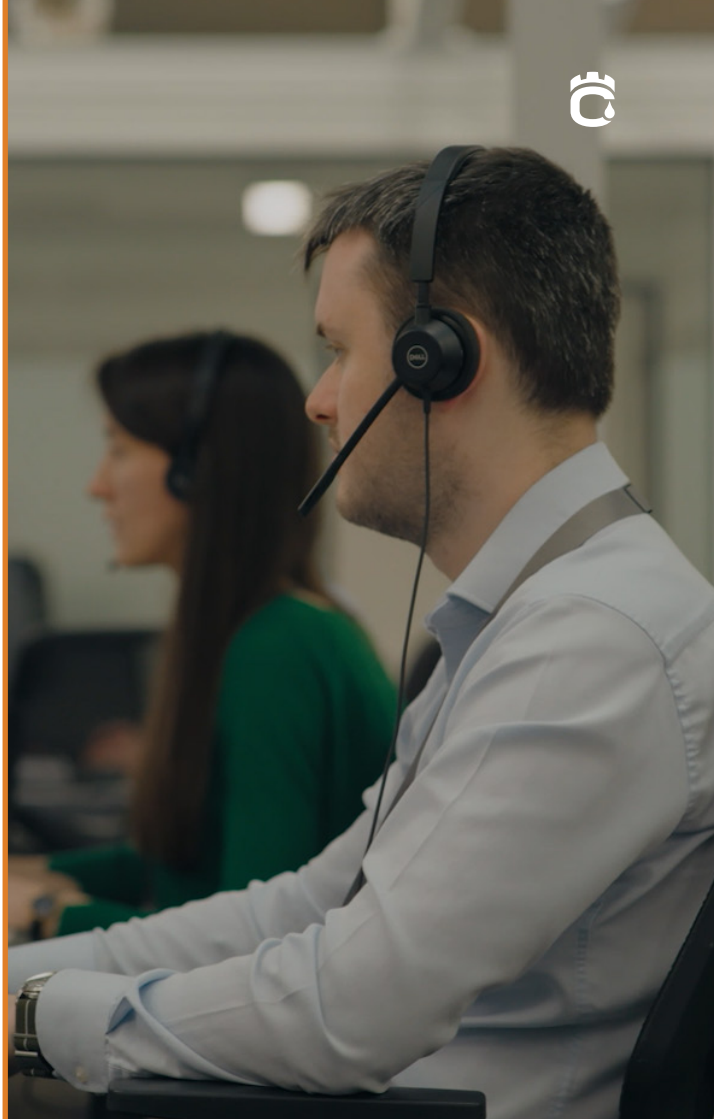
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