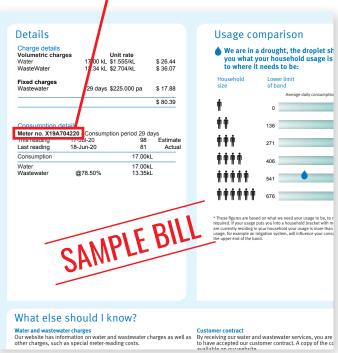
# **HOW TO TEST FOR LEAKS**

### FIND YOUR METER

Look near the footpath, close to your property. Check that the number above the meter reading matches the number on your water bill. The last five digits should be the same.





#### **NO WATER BILL?**

Turn the tap off (twist to the right) at your water meter, then turn a tap on inside your property. If the water stops flowing, you have the correct meter.

The water meter tap must be turned back on for your leak test.

## FIND YOUR METER

Choose 4-8 hours when your household won't use any water. Overnight, a day out or a weekend are ideal. Write down the numbers on the meter or take a photo.



Don't use water for 4-8 hours. A longer time will help pick up smaller leaks. Go back to the meter and write down the number or take a photo of the number again.



# WHAT NOW?

If the numbers have changed – you have a leak! Turn over for tips on how to spot where the leak may be.

If the meter numbers didn't change, there may be another reason for your high bill.

## **NEED MORE HELP?**

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