

## **Blog Title: Snellville Plumbers Give You the Lowdown Before You Embark on a Total Home Re-Pipe**

### **Checklist: How to Tell If Your Home Needs a Total Home Re-Pipe**

Looking at your pipes isn't always as easy as looking at other issues that arise in your home. When it comes to piping, the problems can hide on the inside. Looking at the outside of the pipes, you might think they're doing just fine. But this isn't always the case.

How can you tell if your pipes are letting you down? The problems could be apparent if you look closely. Some things you might notice with corroded pipes include:

- **Your faucets have low water pressure.** When you turn on your faucet, tub, hose, or shower, do you feel like it lacks water pressure? If you've seen a decrease in pressure over time, it could be your pipes. Low water pressure is often a result of a buildup of rust and the corrosion inside the line that will restrict the flow of water. This is a sign that the pipes need replacement.
- **You've got different water pressure at different outlets.** In older homes, you can experience inconsistent water pressure. If some of your faucets seem to have a reasonable amount of water pressure while others barely have enough, that could be a sign of bad pipes. This is especially true if your home is more than 50 years old. Pipes that are older than 50 years are most likely galvanized steel and will degrade over time. This means new pipes are your best bet for improving your water pressure.

- **You're dealing with constant clogs.** Bad pipes mean bad water flow, and when this happens, clogs can happen. When your pipes have corrosion and rust buildup inside, it means the water can't flow through them effectively, and any debris can get caught up inside the reduced flow area. Constant clogs could mean your pipes aren't big enough inside for water and debris to flow through. It's a sign it could be time for new pipes.
- **Your water is a funny color.** Corrosion to galvanized pipes can cause them to release iron which will turn the water a light rusty brown. You might not notice it in the water itself, but if a brown ring appears in your sinks, tubs, or toilets, that's a clear sign of iron in the water, and a clear sign that you need a re-pipe.
- **You're sick of leaky pipes.** As old pipes break down, they become weak and become more prone to leaks. If you see an increase in leaks, it could be a sign that you're due for a re-pipe

If the signs are pointing your home's need for a total re-pipe, it's time to contact our team of expert plumbers at Anthony Wimpey Plumbing.