

Blog: What Can I Expect from Water Line Replacement in Monroe?

Your Checklist for Water Line Replacement in Monroe

Are you having water issues, but you can't quite put your finger on the cause? Plumbing is tricky that way. You can't always see the source of the problem. So much of what makes your pipes work hides behind walls. And when it comes to your main water line, it's buried underground. So how can you tell if what's going on has to do with your water line? Take a look at this handy checklist of what to look out for and how to tell if the problem is a problem with your main line.

- **Your water is a funny color.** Occasionally water line issues can lead to water discoloration. This is often due to corroding pipes or dirt and soil from cracked pipes.
- **There is water in the street in front of your house.** A cracked, broken, or leaking water line could result in water leaking all the way to the street. Your main water supply line connects to the public water supply at the street. If there is a big enough leak, or a leak close enough to the connection to the public water lines, it will flow down and end up on the pavement.
- **You have soggy spots on your lawn.** If you have wet spots or puddling in your yard or on your front lawn, and it's not from rain, the sprinkler system, or the hose, it could be your water line. If you have cracked or broken pipes, they will leak every time you try to use your water, and even when you don't. A considerable amount of water leaks out in this wasteful way. Addressing this as soon as possible is critical.
- **Your water pressure is getting lower and lower.** There are a number of reasons your water pressure is low. It could be a problem with one of your interior distribution pipes, possibly a clogged pipe or a pipe with a lot of mineral buildup or corrosion. It could be an issue with a particular fixture. But if you experience loss of pressure throughout your home, it's likely a main line issue.
- **Your water bill keeps getting higher.** There's nothing like the shock of opening your water bill when you have a leak. If you see a sudden increase in your bill and it's not due to excessive lawn watering or a huge increase in laundry doing, it could be your water line. A plumber will check all of the pipes and lines in your home, and if they don't find the leak there, they will assess your main line for leaks.