

5 Point Christmas Checklist for the Plumbing around your Home

Christmas is a busy time for everyone and the plumbing around the home can often be forgotten in the mad rush of it all. Take some time now to check and prepare your home to make a great impression on your guests, and so you won't be caught out on Christmas or Boxing Day with a plumbing disaster!

✓ Check for signs of a blocked drain

There is nothing worse than a blocked drain when you have family or friends coming to stay at Christmas. Early warning signs include bad smells, gurgling noises, overflowing outside and if water is slow to drain. If your pipes are showing any of these symptoms, or if you have a history of blockages, make sure you have your drains cleared before Christmas and avoid a house full of people without a working toilet – or worse!

✓ Have your BBQ serviced and tested

Aussies love a summer BBQ, especially at Christmas and New Years. Make sure your BBQ is operating safely by having a licensed gas fitter from Woden Valley Plumbing & Gasfitting conduct a BBQ service, where they will test it to ensure that the BBQ, gas connections, and the gas bottles are all operating as they should and that there are no leaks which could harm you or your family.

If it isn't working, make sure to have it fixed before Christmas Day. Don't be stuck with lots of hungry guests, a huge roast or meat tray, and no BBQ to cook it on!



✓ Check toilets are not leaking and are flushing correctly

No one likes a toilet which is hard to flush, or which doesn't flush at all! Save yourself hassle (and your guests the embarrassment) by having your toilet serviced before the big day so that it flushes fully, and to stop any unnecessary refilling.

✓ Fix leaking or noisy taps

Not only do leaking taps waste water that can add to your household bills, they can give a less-than-desirable impression to holiday visitors. If you have traditional taps, you could try changing the washers yourself. Otherwise, you can always call the plumbers at Woden Valley Plumbing & Gasfitting to fix any leaking taps you may have.

✓ Check your gutters and downpipes

Heavy rains and storms are common around Christmas time, and these can quickly overwhelm your gutters and even cause damage to your home. Make sure to check all the gutters and downpipes around your home for leaks, cracks, rust or any other signs that they may need repairing or replacing. If you find that your gutters may need some attention, our qualified technicians are highly skilled at gutter repairs and replacement Canberra.

While you're checking your gutters, make sure you clean out the leaf litter or debris which may have built up. Not only will this increase the capacity of the gutters and pipes to hold water, but you'll also help prepare your home for bushfire season.

For any plumbing emergency Canberra, especially around Christmas or New Years, you can always call a plumber from Canberra Valley Plumbing & Gasfitting on 6288 5123 to give outstanding service you can trust.

