

WINTER PROPERTY PROTECTION



SECURITY

Spend the festive season at home with family and friends, not on site dealing with the multiple issues associated with a water leak

What are the risks with frozen pipes?

When temperatures drop during winter, the excess water inside a pipe expands as it freezes. The expansion can cause a split in the pipe, leading to leaks when the water thaws. Frozen water pipes can burst due to increased pressure in the worst-case scenario.

Although properties are only likely to be unoccupied for a limited period as part of a robust risk management programme, the draining of the water system should become a key component of a close-down procedure, as the subsequent damage caused by water ingress can be considerable.

With 'escape of water' claims costing UK insurers millions of pounds every day, guidelines around draining a water system during a period of unoccupancy may vary between providers, so it is essential you understand what your policy stipulates, allowing you to make an informed decision.

Metal theft continues to cause issues for businesses daily, just adding to the problems caused by water damage when it is the pipes that are stolen. When devising your winter security plan, you may want to consider additional solutions such as:

1 AD-HOC PATROLS

3 SECURITY PERSONNEL

2 INTERNAL PROPERTY INSPECTIONS

4 TEMPORARY INTRUDER ALARM

Given our national coverage through our dedicated mobile security teams, we are ideally placed to deliver the robust solutions required to provide peace of mind, service certainty, and assist in making your festive break as enjoyable as possible.

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