

Winterize Guidelines

All homeowners are encouraged to maintain a year-round electric power supply to the grinder pump. (Recommended)

However, should temporary (seasonal) shutoff of electrical service to a residence be taken, the following procedures shall be followed:

1. Winterize all plumbing fixtures in the usual manner, except for a single sink/faucet.
2. Turn on the water in the sink long enough to cause the grinder pump to start.
3. Turn water off once the grinder pump starts.
4. Allow grinder pump to shut off automatically. This purges the system of solids and leaves it filled with a minimum volume of clean water.
5. Winterize the sink/faucet.

Upon returning to the residence be sure that the power to the alarm panel and pump is turned on and proceed with normal use. Please note, should a resident wish to terminate power to the grinder pumps, adverse impacts that could occur may result in a claim from the WPCA for the grinder pump repair or replacement if the above procedures are not followed.

If you have any problems with your grinder pump please contact the East Hampton WPCA at 860-267-2536.