



## Better Water, Better Air, Better Health.

### To Our Customers:

We are so excited to not have to worry about drought so far this summer! You can check the [CT Drought Monitor](#) and there are no warnings, which is very unusual. No drought doesn't mean you won't experience out-of-water situations though; if you do, check out our [FAQs](#) and give us a call. Enjoy your summer and contact us for all your water and radon needs!

*Best Regards, The Water-Flo Team*



### Water-Flo Gives Back

Water-Flo is working to give back to our communities and organizations that are important to us. For the month of July we supported this organization:

- [Old Lyme Land Trust](#)

## Summer Radon Testing: Why You Don't Have to Wait for Winter



January is Radon Action Month, but you don't need to wait for winter to protect your family from this invisible threat. Many assume radon testing is only effective in colder months, but summer testing can be just as reliable with the right approach.

Radon, a naturally occurring radioactive gas, seeps into homes year-round. With recent heat waves and sealed homes running air conditioning, it can mimic winter air flow, making it a great time to test.

## Why Radon Testing Timing Matters

The EPA recommends winter testing because homes are sealed, creating a controlled environment for accurate readings. But summer testing is also effective if closed-house conditions are maintained—keeping windows closed and limiting ventilation during the test period.

## When Summer Testing Works Best

Summer radon testing makes sense during heat waves when AC keeps homes sealed. If you're planning renovations like finishing a basement, you should plan to test your home, and always test when buying a home to ensure safe air quality. The EPA advises retesting every 2 years, even if a radon mitigation system is installed, as levels can change over time.

The key to reliable summer testing is maintaining closed-house conditions for 2-7 days. The radon technician will let you know how long the test will take. Keep windows shut, avoid fans that pull in outside air, and run your normal HVAC system. Well-insulated homes with efficient cooling can achieve conditions similar to winter testing.

## Take Action Now

Radon exposure doesn't pause for summer, and neither should your efforts to ensure safe air quality. Whether you're a new homeowner, planning renovations, or haven't tested in years, summer is a perfect time to check radon levels.

Schedule a radon test today and safeguard your family's health year-round. With proper closed-house conditions, summer testing provides accurate results so you can make informed decisions about your home.

[Find Out More](#)

## A recent 5 Star review for the Radon Solutions of CT division:

"Our experience with Water Flo (and Radon Solutions of CT) was excellent from the initial contact with Jamie to the very last contact with Ralph! We found them both extremely professional, highly informed, very kind and thoughtful, Ralph walked us through the entire process and he spent a lot of time answering our questions and quieting our concerns. He was extremely patient and knowledgeable and very generous with his time. And what's reassuring is that we can always depend on Water Flo to help and support us if we need their help in the future."



## Ask The Expert

### Question:

Last month's newsletter was about not using softened water to water plants and gardens. It mentioned a softener bypass but I don't know where to look!

### Answer:

Thanks for reading the newsletter and following up on the information! We heard from the technicians that the bypass valve prompted a lot of questions! Water softeners typically come with one of three types of bypass valves. To identify the type of bypass valve on your water softener, check the top or back of the unit. The bypass valve is usually located near the point where your water pipes connect to the softener.

- Turn-to-Bypass Valve: This type has one or two handles or knobs that you rotate to engage the bypass.
- Push-to-Bypass Valve: This style includes a "button" that you push in (sometimes you have to tap it with a rubber mallet!) to bypass the system. (This was shown in the June Newsletter.)
- Lever-Style Bypass Valve: This valve features a lever that you move side to side to change from treated to untreated water.

If you're still unsure about the type or location of your bypass valve, check your owners manual. Pro tip: Tag/label your water shut off valve and bypass valve so anyone in your family can spot them easily. If you don't have a bypass valve and would like access to untreated water, give us a call to schedule service.

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