SERVPRO of Minnetonka, St. Louis Park, Golden Valley Shares Frozen Pipe Prevention Tips

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SERVPRO of Minnetonka, St. Louis Park, Golden Valley is providing homeowners with guidance on preventing frozen pipes as temperatures drop across the Twin Cities Metro area this winter season. The family?owned restoration company, which has served the region for more than 25 years, is sharing practical steps residents can take to protect their homes from burst pipes and the significant water damage that often follows. With Minnesota?s long stretches of sub?zero temperatures, frozen pipes remain one of the most frequent causes of wintertime property damage for local homeowners across the metro.

Frozen pipes are a major concern because water expands as it freezes, creating pressure inside plumbing lines. This pressure can cause pipes to crack or burst, releasing hundreds of gallons of water into a home in a matter of minutes. The resulting flooding can damage flooring, drywall, insulation, and personal belongings, and may also lead to mold growth if not addressed quickly. SERVPRO of Minnetonka regularly responds to these emergencies throughout the winter and emphasizes that preparation is the most effective way to avoid costly repairs and stressful disruptions for families during the coldest months.

Homeowners can reduce their risk by taking several preventive measures before and during extreme cold.

Insulating exposed pipes in unheated areas?such as basements, crawl spaces, attics, and garages?adds a critical layer of protection. Allowing faucets to drip slightly during severe cold helps maintain water movement and reduces pressure buildup inside pipes. Opening cabinet doors beneath sinks located on exterior walls allows warmer indoor air to circulate around plumbing. Maintaining consistent thermostat settings, even when away from home, helps prevent interior temperatures from dropping to levels that put pipes at risk and threaten overall household safety, comfort, and long?term property stability.

Scott Clemente, Owner of SERVPRO of Minnetonka, highlighted the importance of early preparation. ?We respond to burst pipe emergencies throughout the winter, and many of these situations could have been prevented with some basic precautions,? Clemente said. ?Taking a few minutes to prepare your home before temperatures drop can save homeowners from dealing with a stressful and expensive water damage situation.?

If residents discover frozen pipes, they should avoid using open flames or high?heat devices to thaw them, as these methods can damage pipes or create fire hazards. Instead, applying gentle heat with a hair dryer, space heater, or warm towels provides a safer approach. If a pipe has already burst, homeowners should shut off the main water supply immediately and contact a professional restoration company to help minimize damage and begin the drying process as quickly as possible to protect their property, belongings, and overall structural integrity.

SERVPRO of Minnetonka, St. Louis Park, Golden Valley maintains IICRC certifications in water damage restoration, mold remediation, and fire damage repairs. Their team of 50 trained employees provides 24?hour emergency response services with an average on?site arrival time of 60 minutes. As a locally owned business, the company works directly with insurance providers to support homeowners through the claims process and ensure a smooth restoration experience from start to finish.

Additional information about protecting homes from winter weather damage and emergency restoration services is available through the company?s service team. SERVPRO of Minnetonka, St. Louis Park, Golden Valley serves residential and commercial properties throughout the Minneapolis?St. Paul metropolitan area with comprehensive disaster restoration solutions designed to restore peace of mind, safety, and long?term resilience.

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