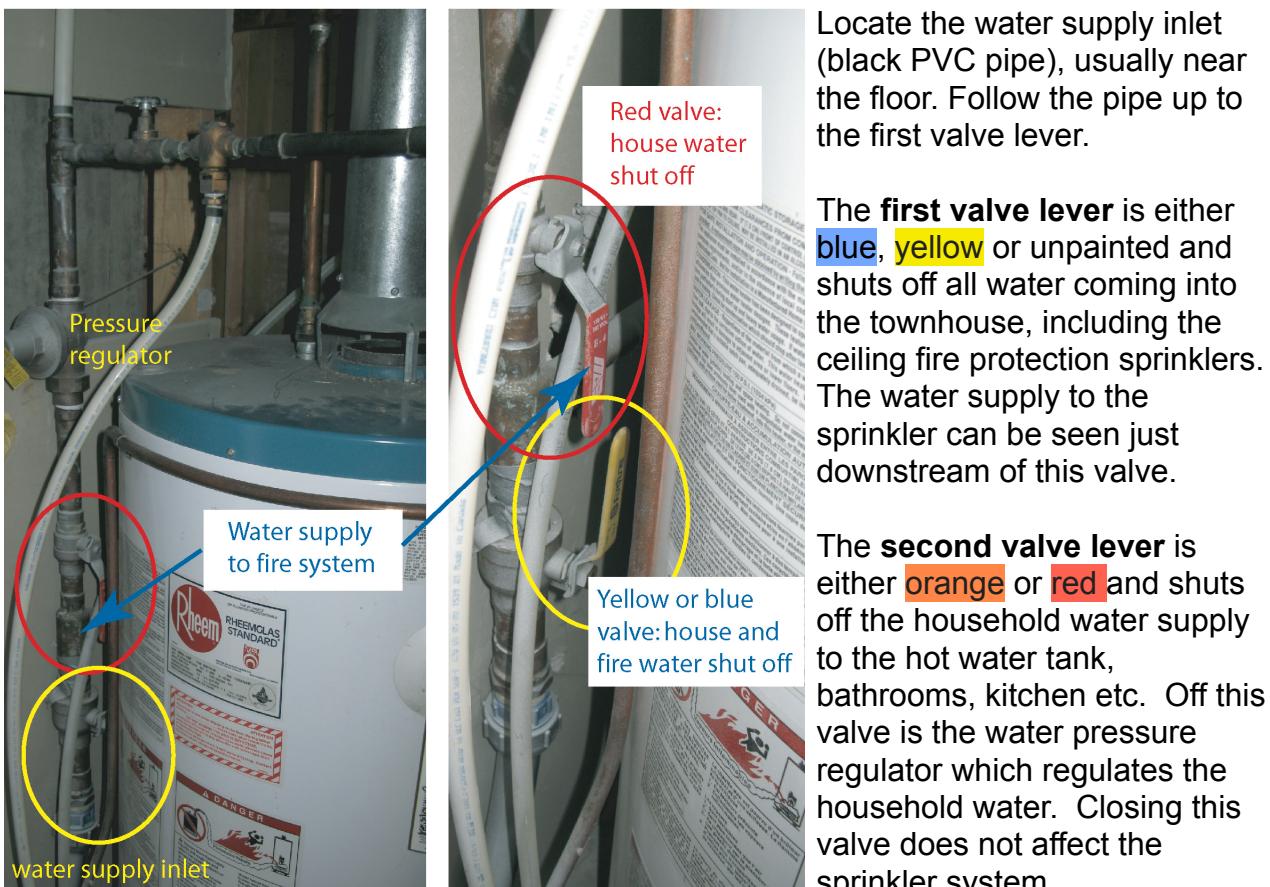


HOUSEHOLD WATER SUPPLY SHUT OFF

It is very important for homeowners to know how to turn off the water supply in your home so that in an emergency you are able to shut off the water. As well, it is recommended that the household water supply be turned off when the home is unoccupied for an extended period, but it is **critical that the water supply to the sprinkler system be left on.**

Each townhouse has two shut off valves inside the unit, located very close to each other. The location of the valves varies depending on the floor plan, but is typically next to or near the hot water tank. This photo shows a typical installation.



The first valve (**blue**, **yellow** or unpainted) should be closed only if a problem exists with the sprinkler system, as closing this valve deactivates the fire protection system. The second valve (**orange** or **red**) can be closed when you want to shut off your water, such as when you are going to be away from your home for an extended period or if there is a problem in household plumbing.