

6.3 Flow meters

Every irrigation system should have at least one flow meter (near the water source) to monitor water usage. Flow meters can also be good tools to detect leaks: if the flow meter indicates that there is flow but all valves are closed, there must be a leak somewhere in the system. Having flow meters as part of your irrigation system not only helps you monitor how much water you use, it also provides a record of your practices and helps you to quantify changes in water when you change your irrigation practices.