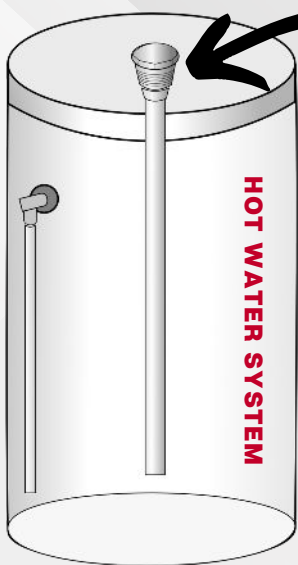


# PLUMBING MAINTENANCE



## HOT WATER ANODES

To avoid burst hot water systems, which causes significant and costly damage to the building, owners must ensure that the sacrificial anode on your hot water system is inspected by a plumber and replaced as required.



### WHAT IS A SACRIFICIAL ANODE?

A water heater sacrificial anode rod is a metal rod that is screwed into the top of the tank. Its job is to attract corrosive elements in the water. Over time, the rod is 'sacrificed' and worn down. Corrosion will then occur to the metal in your hot water system, particularly the heating element, potentially resulting in the tank bursting and flooding your unit and neighbouring units. The diagrams below show the comparison between a new and old sacrificial anode rod. It is suggested that anodes should be inspected and replaced by a plumber every 2-3 years.

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Please be reminded that should you not properly maintain the wet areas of your unit, including the specific items noted above and as a result, water damage is caused to your lot or another lot, you may be responsible to carry out repairs to your unit and the affected unit to which water transferred to. Please check your Strata By-Laws for more information.



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