

Plumbing Repair Parts and Specialty Items

How to Fix a Leaky Faucet (Ball-Type Single Lever Faucet Repair)

To make a quick fix of your Ball Type Faucet, proceed as follows:

Step 1: Take the faucet apart and remove the ball assembly/lever.

Step 2: Carefully remove the spring loaded rubber seals found in the concave bowl in the body of the faucet which held the ball assembly. Remove the rubber O-Ring.

Step 3: Clean the ball of any mineral deposits found on it so that it is smooth and clean.

Step 4: Rub Vasoline® or other petroleum jelly into the O-Ring and the rubber seals to relieve their dryness and make them more supple.

Step 5: Stretch the springs just a bit to increase the spring pressure they will exert on the rubber seals.

Step 6: Make sure the bowl in the faucet body is clean. Clean any threads of food debris or soap gunk or mineral deposits so the threads will seat properly.

Step 7: Reassemble in the reverse order you took the faucet apart.

