

Boiler pressure

If you're having boiler issues, such as no hot water, low pressure might be the problem.

If the pressure is too low, you can usually re-pressurise it yourself. If it's too high, you may need to bleed your radiators. Check out our self-help guide "Bleeding a radiator".

How to check your boiler pressure

- If you have a hydraulic pressure gauge, your boiler should be between 1 and 2 bars.
- If you have a digital gauge, the pressure reading will flash if the pressure is too low or too high.

What to do if your boiler needs re-pressurising

- Check your boiler manual or visit the brand's website, to see if they have any information about re-pressurising their systems.
- Switch off and allow your boiler to cool.
- Find your filling loop. This is a braided hose with a small valve on it, and is usually located under the boiler casing. It may be built-in to the boiler.
- Make sure that both ends of the filling loop are securely attached, as a leak in the valve could be why your boiler is losing pressure.
- Open both valves, to allow cold water into the system (you should be able to hear this).
- Keep an eye on the pressure gauge, waiting for it to read 1.5 bar, then close both valves.
- Switch the boiler back on. You may need to press the reset button.
- Remove the filling loop if it isn't built-in.