

# Sewer/Drain Camera Inspection

## Get the Full Picture Before You Dig or Diagnose

When it comes to sewer and drains issues, guesswork isn't good enough. A professional **camera inspection** lets you see *exactly* what's going on inside your pipes — in real time — with pinpoint accuracy.

Whether you're dealing with frequent clogs, slow drainage, or planning a remodel, a camera inspection is the smart, non-invasive first step to save time, money, and avoid surprises.

### **WHAT TO EXPECT WHEN OUR TECHNICIAN ARRIVES**

Here's what our expert will do during your camera inspection visit:

1. **Initial Conversation & Walkthrough**
  - Understand your plumbing concerns (clogs, backups, odors, slow drains, remodel plans)
  - Identify the best access point (clean-out, drain opening, or roof vent)
2. **Camera Insertion & Live Footage**
  - Use a high-resolution waterproof camera attached to a flexible cable
  - Navigate through the sewer or drain line in real time
  - Record video and capture still images for your reference
3. **Identify Problems & Explain Findings**
  - Look for:
    - Root intrusions
    - Pipe bellies (low spots)
    - Cracks, corrosion, offsets, grease buildup, collapsed pipes
    - Foreign objects
  - Show you the footage so you can see exactly what's going on
4. **Discuss Options & Next Steps**
  - Depending on the issue, we may recommend hydro-jetting, spot repair, or full replacement
  - Provide transparent pricing and clear explanations

### **Time Estimate:**

- **30–60 minutes** depending on access and line length

### **WHAT IS THIS SERVICE FOR? WHY IS IT IMPORTANT?**

A **sewer/drain camera inspection** uses a live-feed camera to inspect the interior of your underground plumbing system.

## Why It's Essential:

- **Avoid guesswork.** You get visual confirmation of the exact problem and location.
- **Prevent unnecessary digging.** We know *where* and *what* the issue is before touching a shovel.
- **Document condition.** Get before/after video for real estate, remodeling, or insurance.
- **Stay proactive.** Find problems *before* they turn into costly emergencies.

Think of it as an **MRI for your home's plumbing system** — non-invasive, accurate, and smart.

## REPAIR OR REPLACE? YOUR OPTIONS

After inspection, your technician may recommend:

- **Repair** – Use trenchless or traditional methods to fix specific damage (like roots or a small crack)
- **Spot Repair** – Cut and replace a localized damaged section
- **Full Replacement** – Recommended for severely corroded or collapsed lines
- **Upgrade** – Modernize old clay, cast iron, or Orangeburg pipes with ABS or HDPE

## COMPARE YOUR OPTIONS

Option	Pros	Cons	Budget	When Ideal	Time to Complete
Camera Inspection	Non-invasive, visual, fast, confirms problem	Doesn't fix issue itself	\$	First step in diagnostics, buying/selling, remodeling	30–60 min
Repair	Fixes targeted issue quickly	May not resolve underlying pipe deterioration	\$\$	Root intrusion, minor cracks, accessible cleanout	1–4 hours
Spot Repair	Prevents full replacement	May require cutting concrete or digging	\$\$–\$\$\$	Localized failures or isolated collapses	3–6 hours
Full Replacement	Long-term solution, updated materials	Most expensive and invasive	\$\$\$	Old, brittle, collapsed, root-filled, or poorly graded lines	1–3 days depending on scope

## HOMEOWNER TIPS & TRICKS

- **Avoid Flushing Non-Flushables:** No wipes, feminine hygiene products, floss, or grease
- **Mind Your Landscaping:** Avoid planting trees near sewer lines — roots love water!
- **Know Where Your Cleanouts Are:** Mark them clearly for fast access in emergencies

- **Schedule Preventative Inspections:** Especially if your home is 30+ years old or before big remodels
- **Watch for Warning Signs:** Gurgling toilets, sewer smells, and slow drains = time to inspect!

### **See It Before You Dig It.**

With Bayshore Plumbers, you'll always get clarity before committing to costly repairs. Our camera inspections are fast, transparent, and empowering — giving you real answers, not educated guesses.

 **Book a camera inspection today** and take the mystery out of your sewer or drain problems.

## **Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ's):**

### **1. What is a sewer or drain camera inspection?**

It's a **non-invasive diagnostic tool** that uses a waterproof camera to show what's going on inside your drain or sewer pipes in real time. It helps pinpoint problems like **clogs, cracks, roots, or collapses** — without any digging or guesswork.

### **2. When should I schedule a camera inspection?**

If you're experiencing **slow drains, sewer odors, recurring backups**, or planning a remodel, a camera inspection is the first step. It's also smart to inspect if your home is **30+ years old**, before buying or selling, or after major drain issues.

### **3. How long does a camera inspection take?**

Most inspections take just **30 to 60 minutes**. It depends on the access point and the length of the line we're inspecting. We record footage and show you exactly what we find — with **clear, honest recommendations**.

### **4. Will this inspection fix my plumbing problem?**

Not directly. It's a **diagnostic service** that shows us where and what the issue is. Based on what we find, we may recommend **hydro jetting, a spot repair, or full pipe replacement** — but we won't do any digging without your approval.

### **5. Is it better to do a camera inspection before major plumbing work?**

Absolutely. A camera inspection helps avoid unnecessary repairs by showing the **exact cause and location** of the issue. It can save you time, money, and frustration — especially if you're planning a remodel or dealing with recurring issues.

### **6. Will I get a copy of the footage?**

Yes — we can provide **video or still images** from your inspection for your records. These are useful for **insurance, remodeling, or real estate documentation** and give you peace of mind about the next steps.