

# HINTS FOR HOMEOWNERS

## Quieting A Noisy Toilet

(NAPSA)—The sound of a toilet refilling over and over again can be annoying—especially in the middle of the night. Fortunately there are easy ways to tell your noisy toilet to put a lid on it.



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According to Fluidmaster's Professor Flush, a toilet fill valve that mysteriously turns itself on and off (without being triggered by a flush)

indicates one of three possible problems—all with simple solutions:

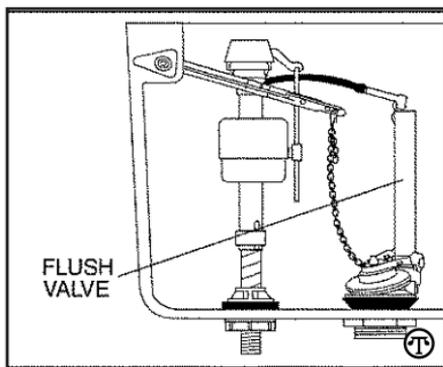
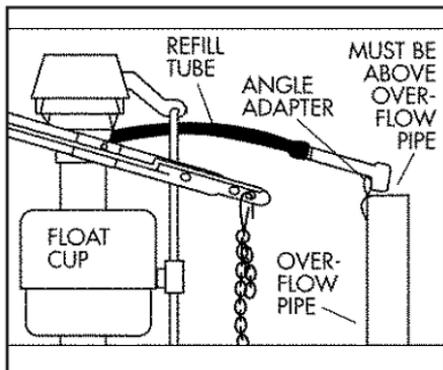
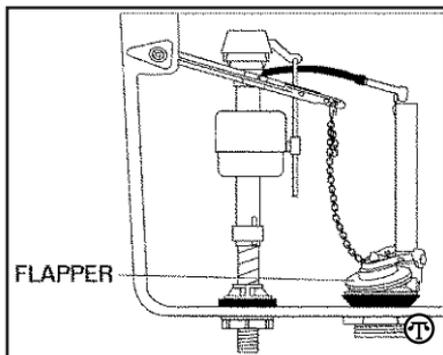
1. **Problem:** The toilet's tank ball or flapper is worn, dirty or misaligned with the flush valve seat, or the seat itself is so corroded the stopper will not seal properly. This creates a leak that lowers the water level, causing the valve to turn on and refill the tank.

**Solution:** Clean the tank ball and drain the seat thoroughly. If the leak persists, replace the worn tank ball or flapper.

2. **Problem:** The fill valve's refill tube extends too far down the overflow pipe. This creates a siphoning action into the overflow pipe, lowering the tank's water level and causing the valve to turn on and refill the tank.

**Solution:** Make certain the refill tube is attached to the top of the overflow pipe with an angle adapter. (See illustration.)

3. **Problem:** The overflow pipe/flush valve is so corroded it creates leaks that lower the tank's water level, causing the valve to



turn on and refill tank.

**Solution:** Replace the entire overflow pipe/flush assembly.

For more help trouble-shooting your toilet, visit the Web site [www.fluidmaster.com](http://www.fluidmaster.com).