



Region of Waterloo Watering Restrictions

Outdoor Water Use By-law

Due to reduced water pumping capacity, the Region of Waterloo's Commissioner of Transportation and Environmental Services announced a Stage 2 Water Supply Emergency will be in effect from
May 31 to September 30 each year.

As per by-law 07-069 and amendments, residents were restricted to once per week lawn watering between the hours of 5:30 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. and 11:00 p.m.

If your address ends in:	Your lawn watering day is:
0 or 1	Monday
2 or 3	Tuesday
4 or 5	Wednesday
6 or 7	Thursday
8 or 9	Friday

Time Restrictions for ALL watering: 7:00 - 10:00 a.m. and 7:00 - 11:00 p.m.

Please be aware that the following amendments to the Stage 2 Outdoor Water Use By-law were approved by Regional Council on March 22, 2006.

- ♣ Residents are permitted to irrigate gardens, trees, shrubs and other outdoor plants on alternate days. Municipal addresses ending in even numbers are permitted to water gardens, etc. on even-numbered dates of the month and odd addresses may water gardens on odd-numbered dates within the time restrictions.
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- ♣ The washing of cars with a controlled hose (with a shutoff valve attached) will be permitted on alternate days within the time restrictions.
- ♣ Topping-up of permanent residential pools is allowed on alternate days within the time restrictions.
- ♣ The rules regarding the watering of lawns will remain unchanged and will continue to be allowed only once per week on the current permitted day.
- ♣ **Residents with new sod and seed must obtain a sign from the Region by calling 575-4400.** This sign entitles watering any time for the first 24 hours after planting, watering during the time restrictions for each of the following six days and then watering during the time restrictions on alternate days from day 8 through day 14 after planting.

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Watering with a watering can is permitted on any day.

Stage 2 offences include:

- Watering lawn, newly planted sod/seed or treated lawn during improper day/time
- Watering trees, shrubs, flowers/gardens with hose or irrigation system during improper day/time
- Washing vehicle during improper day/time
- Permitting water to pool or run off lawn or garden
- Washing street, driveway, walkway or building with hose or irrigation system
- Wasting water

To view a copy of the updated by-law, please [click here](#).

For more information, please contact: 575-4400

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