



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 The Water Conservation By-law 07-069, and 10-020 amendments, residents are 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:	<i>Your lawn watering day is:</i>
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 Water Conservation By-law were approved by Regional Council on December 12, 2007.

- 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 permit from the Region by completing the [sod or seed watering application form](#) or calling 519-575-4400. Each property can only receive one watering permit for new seed or sod in a calendar year.**

Watering times with a sod or seed watering permit:

- first 24 hours = anytime
- next six days = every day between 5:30 a.m. to 10 a.m. and 7 p.m. to 11 p.m.
- next seven days = on your odd or even calendar day based on the last digit of your address number between 5:30 a.m. to 10 a.m. and 7 p.m. to 11 p.m.

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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: 575-4495

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