



DROUGHT MANAGEMENT PLAN

TOGETHER. WE CAN PROTECT THE WATER WE DEPEND ON



Water Wise Tips:

- If you have a rain barrel, use the rainwater you collected to water your plants.
- Adding mulch on top of your flower bed will help retain moisture in your soil
- Incorporating drought-tolerant plants that thrive on less water will keep your yard looking beautiful for longer.

There are times when the Town of Bow Island may need to call on all our community members to temporarily reduce their non-essential outdoor water usage such as:

- Less water is available due to drought
- We are repairing or upgrading the water treatment plant or distribution system.
- Water demand is high due to hot temperatures and is straining the capacity of the water treatment plant



We all need to do our part

The restrictions apply to all Utility customers in the Town of Bow Island including:

- Residents
- Businesses and organizations
- Town of Bow Island Public works

During times of water shortages, the Town of Bow Island will also reduce water use. This includes reducing or restricting sprinkler systems at our Municipal Parks & Recreation Facilities.

Take action when outdoor water restrictions are declared:

- 1. Find out what water restrictions stage is in place**
Outdoor water restrictions will be announced through website and social media outlets.
- 2. Understand how you can water and when you can use water outdoors**
Depending on the water restriction level, please refer to the following table to understand what mandatory actions to take.
- 3. Stay Informed**
We're constantly monitoring our Town's water usage to determine the restrictions necessary and will advise of any change.

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There are four stages of mandatory outdoor water restrictions, based on the severity of water shortage. These restrictions are enforceable by the Water Conservation Bylaw



We strive to take an education-first approach with citizens and businesses about importance of reducing water use, rather than enforcement. Failure to follow a restrictions can result in a fine.










WASTING WATER

1st Offence \$500.00
2nd Offence \$1000.00



Customers using a automated sprinklers **MUST** reduce their watering outlined in the Stage of Restriction.



	STAGE 1	STAGE 2	STAGE 3	STAGE 4
Commercial Car Wash 	YES Any Day/ Time	YES Any Day/ Time	YES Any Day/ Time	YES Any Day/ Time
Vegetable Garden 	YES Any Day/ Time	YES Any Day/ Time	YES Any Day/ Time	YES Any Day/ Time
Hand Watering 	YES Any Day/ Time	YES Any Day/ Time	Yes Any day/ Time	NO
Filling Outdoor Pools or Hot Tubs 	YES Any Day/ Time	YES Any Day/ Time	YES Any day/ Time	NO
Watering New Grass 	YES Any Day/ Time	YES Any Day/ Time	NO	NO
Sprinklers 	YES 2 HR MAX/ 2 day a week YES 1 HR MAX/ 2 days a week Water schedule is based on house numbers: EVEN HOUSE NUMBERS Even Number Day ODD HOUSE NUMBERS Odd Number Day WATERING IS ALLOWED BETWEEN: 8:00am - 6:00pm 7:00pm - 10:00pm		NO	NO
Filling of decorative features 	YES Any Day/ Time	YES Any Day/ Time	NO	NO
Washing Outdoors Cars, windows, exterior buildings, surfaces, sidewalks, driveways, or walkways. 	YES Any Day/ Time	NO	NO	NO
Water use for construction purposes including grading, compactions and dust control 	YES Any Day/ Time	NO	NO	NO