

13.13.030 - Prohibited uses—Mandatory.

**The Water Conservation Program shall be in effect year-round.**

The following uses, methods, types or techniques of the use of water are hereby determined and declared nonessential and are prohibited:

A. All Users.

1. Water abuse is prohibited. It shall be unlawful for any person to knowingly or willingly cause or allow any water delivered by the City water system and received by such person to become water waste runoff and to flow away from property owned or occupied by such person in any gutter, ditch or other manner over the surface of the ground. The definition of water abuse is excessive water flowing over the curb resulting in water running in the gutter a distance of 50 feet or directly into a catch basin.

Water waste runoff shall mean water flowing away from property caused by excessive application(s) of water delivered by the City water system beyond reasonable or practical flow rates, water volumes or duration of application.

2. Broken or defective plumbing, sprinklers, watering or irrigation systems which permit the escape or leakage of water are prohibited. Repair all water leaks within five days of notification by the City Public Works Department unless other arrangements are made with the City Public Works Department.
3. The use of water in any manner which causes, allows or permits the flooding of any premises, or any portion thereof, is prohibited.
4. All uses of non-potable water without the permission of the Public Works Department are prohibited.
5. Stop washing down paved surfaces, including but not limited to sidewalks, driveways, parking lots, tennis courts, or patios, except when it is necessary to alleviate safety or sanitation hazards, in which case, such areas shall be washed from water contained in a bucket or container not exceeding five gallons in capacity.
6. Use a hand-held hose equipped with a positive shut-off nozzle or bucket to water landscaped areas, including trees and shrubs located on residential and commercial properties that are not irrigated by a landscape irrigation system.
7. Stop operating ornamental fountains or similar decorative water features unless recycled water is used.
8. Wash vehicles using a bucket, not exceeding five gallons in capacity, and a hand-held hose with positive shut-off nozzle, mobile high pressure/low volume wash system, or at a commercial site that re-circulates (reclaims) water on-site. Avoid washing during hot conditions when additional water is required due to evaporation.
9. Serve and refill water in restaurants and other food service establishments only upon request.
10. Offer guests in hotels, motels, and other commercial lodging establishments the option of not laundering towels and linens daily.
11. Initial filling of new swimming pools or otherwise of the full capacity of a pool is allowed with permit. Draining and refilling pools are allowed for maintenance and cleaning with permit.
12. The application of water from public water supply to outdoor landscapes during or within 48 hours after any measurable rainfall is prohibited.

**B. Gardens and Landscaping. Consumers shall not irrigate any lawn or landscaped area between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. on any day of the week.**

1. Even numbered addresses are assigned watering days on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays from 12:01 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. to 11:59 p.m.
  2. Odd numbered addresses are assigned watering days on Sundays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 12:01 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. to 11:59 p.m.
  3. Watering on Mondays is prohibited.
  4. This section shall not apply to commercial growers or nurseries.
- C. New Planting. Notwithstanding the prohibitions contained in subsection B of this section, new lawns, ground covers, or bedding plants may be watered every day between 7:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m. provided the following conditions are met:
1. New lawns, ground covers, or bedding shall not include reseeded of existing lawns or replacement of existing ground cover, or bedding plants, and shall be newly rototilled earth.
  2. The Public Works Director may impose such other restrictions as are deemed necessary to prevent the waste of water.

(Ord. CS 966, § 3, 5-26-2015; Ord. CS 972, § 1, 6-13-2016; Ord. CS 994, § 1, 4-9-2018; Ord. CS 998, § 1, 7-9-2018)