

Dear TFN members and residents:

Please note that **starting May 1, 2022, the Revised Stage 1 Watering Restrictions come into effect, until October 15, 2022.** Stage 1 comes into effect automatically each year to prevent drinking water wastage and ensure water users employ efficient and effective watering practices.

The Greater Vancouver Water District (GVWD) Board approved revisions to the [Drinking Water Conservation Plan](#) (DWCP) at its October 29, 2021 meeting. The revisions include reducing lawn watering to one day per week during Stage 1. For additional information and restriction details, refer to “Metro Vancouver | Drinking Water Conservation Plan”.

<http://www.metrovancouver.org/services/water/WaterPublications/DrinkingWaterConservationPlan.pdf>

Reducing lawn watering remains the most effective way to ensure we are using our drinking water wisely during the summer months when demand is highest, and rainfall is lowest. One morning per week provides adequate watering time to maintain a healthy lawn and achieve further water use reductions.

	 RESIDENTIAL LAWNS	 TREES SHRUBS, FLOWERS	 VEGETABLE GARDENS
<b>STAGE 1</b> May 1 – Oct 15	EVEN ADDRESS Saturday ODD ADDRESS Sunday  AUTOMATIC WATERING 5am – 7am  MANUAL WATERING 6am – 9am	 HAND WATERING SOAKER HOSE or DRIP IRRIGATION Anytime	 SPRINKLERS Any day 5am – 9am  Anytime
<b>STAGE 2</b>	 LAWN WATERING PROHIBITED	 HAND WATERING SOAKER HOSE or DRIP IRRIGATION Anytime	 SPRINKLERS Any day 5am – 9am  Anytime
<b>STAGE 3</b>	 LAWN WATERING PROHIBITED	 SPRINKLERS AND SOAKER HOSES PROHIBITED   HAND WATERING or DRIP IRRIGATION Anytime	Anytime

**All activities prohibited in emergency Stage 4**

<http://www.metrovancouver.org/services/water/about/resources-government/drinking-water-conservation-plan/Pages/default.aspx#top>

## Stage 1 Restrictions

User	Water Use	Restriction
RESIDENTIAL	Watering lawns	Even-numbered civic addresses on Saturdays: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Automatic watering from 5 am to 7 am</li> <li>- Manual watering from 6 am to 9 am</li> </ul> Odd-numbered civic addresses on Sundays: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Automatic watering from 5 am to 7 am</li> <li>- Manual watering from 6 am to 9 am</li> </ul>
	Watering new lawns or lawns being treated for the European Chafer Beetle	Outside restricted lawn watering times if in compliance with a member jurisdiction permit
	Watering trees, shrubs, and flowers excluding edible plants	On any day from 5 am to 9 am if using a sprinkler On any day at any time if using a handheld hose, soaker hose, water container, or drip irrigation
NON-RESIDENTIAL	Watering lawns (mixed-use buildings e.g. residential and commercial should follow Non-residential watering times)	Even-numbered civic addresses on Mondays: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Automatic watering from 4 am to 6 am</li> <li>- Manual watering from 6 am to 9 am</li> </ul> Odd-numbered civic addresses on Tuesdays: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Automatic watering from 4 am to 6 am</li> <li>- Manual watering– from 6 am to 9 am</li> </ul>
	Watering new lawns or lawns being treated for European Chafer Beetle	Outside restricted lawn watering times if in compliance with a member jurisdiction permit
	Watering trees, shrubs, and flowers excluding edible plants	On any day from 4 am to 9 am if using a sprinkler On any day at any time if using a handheld hose, soaker hose, water container, or drip irrigation
GOVERNMENTS/SCHOOLS/PARKS	Watering lawns and grass boulevards	Even-numbered civic addresses on Mondays: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Automatic watering from 4 am to 6 am</li> <li>- Manual watering from 6 am to 9 am</li> </ul> Odd-numbered civic addresses on Tuesdays: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Automatic watering from 4 am to 6 am</li> <li>- Manual watering from 6 am to 9 am</li> </ul>
	Watering new lawns or lawns being treated for the European Chafer Beetle	Outside restricted lawn watering times if in compliance with a member jurisdiction permit
	Watering trees, shrubs, and flowers excluding edible plants	On any day from 4 am to 9 am if using a sprinkler On any day at any time if using a handheld hose, soaker hose, water container, or drip irrigation
	Watering soil-based playing fields	On any day from 7 pm to 9 am, except if: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- watering newly over-seeded fields if in compliance with a member jurisdiction permit</li> <li>- Operating under an approved member jurisdiction water management plan</li> </ul>
	Watering sand-based playing fields	On any day from 7 pm to 9 am, except if: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- watering newly over-seeded fields if in compliance with a member jurisdiction permit</li> <li>- Operating under an approved member jurisdiction water management plan</li> </ul>
	Flushing water mains	Prohibited