

Stage 2 Watering Restrictions Now in Effect

Watering restrictions in the City of Parksville are now at Stage 2 through the end of September and Stage 1 will be in effect for October unless otherwise advised. The City thanks residents for their efforts to conserve water this summer. Please note vegetable gardens and fruit trees are exempt from all watering restrictions and businesses which require water for operations are also exempt.

STAGE 2 - GENERAL INFORMATION (September)

- Sprinkler watering - odd numbered civic addresses may water on odd numbered days and even numbered civic addresses may water on even numbered days. Watering times are 7 am to 10 am OR 7 pm to 10 pm for a maximum of two hours of total allocated watering per day. Multi-unit strata developments may vary hours of use as required, with prior written permission from the Director, to accomplish maintenance and upkeep in cases where developments have irrigation systems separately metered and can demonstrate that inadequate times exist within water restriction stages to sustain plant stock.
- Vegetable gardens and fruit trees - are exempt from all watering restrictions.
- Watering of ornamental shrubs, flowers and trees - are restricted to a hand-held container or a hose equipped with a shut-off nozzle if watered outside of the times permitted.
- Washing of vehicles, boats and buildings - vehicles, boats and exterior building surfaces may be washed using City supplied potable water using a hand-held container or hose equipped with a shut-off nozzle.
- Washing of sidewalks and driveways - persons may use City supplied potable water to wash sidewalks, driveways or parking lots.
- Swimming pools, wading pools, hot tubs and water features - may be filled with water.

STAGE 1 - GENERAL INFORMATION (October and April)

- Sprinkler watering – watering of lawns with pop-up spray, rotors and sprinklers is permitted during watering times between 7 pm and 7 am, any day of the week.
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Detailed information about the City's water restrictions may be found on the City of Parksville website at <http://www.parksville.ca/cms.asp?wpID=377>. The City is a partner in the Regional District of Nanaimo's Team WaterSmart programs www.teamwatersmart.ca

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