



District of Lantzville

Incorporated June 2003

WATER RESTRICTION STAGES

STAGE		1	2	3	4
WHEN	Effective Date	As Required	As Required	Voluntary Reductions on top of Stage 2 – implemented as required, prior to enforced lawn watering ban	As Required
	Sprinkling Times	Between 7 PM – 7 AM	7-10 AM <u>OR</u> 7-10 PM for a MAX of 2 HOURS		SPRINKLING BAN: LAWN WATERING NOT PERMITTED
	Frequency	Any Day	Every Other Day Even # Houses – Even Days Odd # Houses – Odd days		NOT PERMITTED
HOW	Pop-Up Spray, Rotors and Sprinklers	Only during permitted times	Only during permitted times		ONLY BETWEEN 7-10 AM <u>OR</u> 7-10 PM
	Hand-Watering* (trees, shrubs, vegetables)	ANYTIME (advised to water in the early morning or in the evening)			NOT PERMITTED
	Micro / Drip* Irrigation	ANYTIME – advised to check for leaks			NOT PERMITTED
WHAT	Watering Lawns	Permitted during sprinkling times	Permitted during sprinkling times/ days		ONLY WITH DRIP or HAND WATERING
	Watering Ornamental Shrubs, Flowers and Trees	Permitted during sprinkling times	Permitted during sprinkling times/days		ANYTIME (advised to water in the early morning or in the evening)
	Watering Vegetable Gardens or Fruit Trees	ONLY WITH HOSE WITH SHUT OFF DEVICE			NOT PERMITTED Only exception is for safety
	Washing Vehicles, Boats, Houses	ANYTIME (advised to use a broom)			Only prior to application of paint, preservative, stucco or sealant
	Washing Sidewalks or Driveways	ANYTIME (advised to use a broom)		NOT PERMITTED	
	Filling Fountains, Pools or Hot Tubs	ANYTIME		NO PERMITS ISSUED	
	New Lawn Permits	Can apply for permit	Can apply for permit		

***Definitions:**

Updated: May 2017

- **Micro and Drip Irrigation:**
"Delivers water to the root zone of the plants and uses less than 20 gallons per hour at less than 25 psi."
- **Hand-watering:**
"Delivering water by hose with spring-loaded nozzle shut-off device or hand-held container."

Note: We encourage all residents to voluntarily conserve water at all times. Water restrictions only apply to those property owners who are on the District's community water system. However, we also encourage those property owners on individual private wells to also exercise conservation measures when it comes to water usage.

Thank you for your cooperation. We encourage you to contact the District Office at 250.390.4006 or district@lantzville.ca if you have any questions.

District of Lantzville – Regional Watering Restrictions Quick Reference

Concept:

That all water purveyors in the Regional District of Nanaimo adopt consistently defined water restrictions stages, to minimize confusion for residents on community water systems across the region. Includes:

- Deep Bay Improvement District
- Qualicum Bay Horne Lake Waterworks
- Town of Qualicum Beach
- City of Parksville
- RDN Water Service Areas
- EPCOR
- **District of Lantzville**
- City of Nanaimo
- North Cedar Improvement District

Key Principles:

- The Stages will be consistently defined, but **it is at the discretion of the individual water utility to implement the appropriate level of restrictions for their system, outside of the prescribed effective dates.**
- Media communications will be comprehensive to include information on where each Utility in the region is at with regards to restrictions, along with the parameters of each stage. The media roll out will include newspapers, Shaw Cable, radio, and local publications.
- A one-window online hub for watering restrictions across the region will be offered via Team WaterSmart (website hosted by the RDN) and linked to by each water purveyor. It will be map based to show where each water purveyor operates, colour-coded according to current restriction stage, and have roll-over bubbles to give quick facts (name of purveyor, website, number of connections, water source).
- Went to Boards/Councils in February 2016; the new standard restrictions were announced to the public in March 2016.

Exemptions for Water Restrictions:

- Nurseries, turf farms, tree farms
- Essential municipal infrastructure, i.e. select playing fields
- Car dealerships, car washes
- Other commercial enterprises which require water use to facilitate normal business activities: (e.g. power washing companies, window washing companies, etc.)

***Note: These exemptions do not apply to North Cedar Improvement District;** (please see www.ncid.bc.ca for more info) **or the District of Lantzville** (please see www.lantzville.ca for more info).

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