

City of Universal City

Drought Response Plan - Stage I

Water Restrictions Are Now In Effect

The J-17 monitoring well in Bexar County has reached 660 ft. msl, which is the trigger level for Stage I water restrictions.

Under threat of penalty for violation, the following water use limitations shall apply to all persons.

- Water customers shall comply with mandatory limits of landscape irrigation. Watering days will be based on the last digit of the address:

<u>Last Digit of Address</u>	<u>Day</u>
0&1	Monday
2&3	Tuesday
4&5	Wednesday
6&7	Thursday
8&9	Friday

If there is no street address associated with the property such as a parkway or if there is more than one street address with a single contiguous property the irrigation day is Wednesday.

- No person may waste water.
- Landscape irrigation by means of a hand-held hose, a five-gallon bucket, or soaker hose, or a properly installed drip irrigation system is permitted any day of the week at any time. AN UNATTENDED HANDHELD HOSE WILL BE CONSIDERED THE SAME AS SPRINKLERS.
- Landscape irrigation by means of a hose-end sprinkler, in-ground sprinkler system is allowed once a week on your designated watering day as determined by the last digit of your street address but limited to the morning hours from midnight to 10:00 a.m. and the evening hours from 8:00 p.m. to midnight.
- Groundwater may be used to replenish swimming pools to maintenance level. Draining of swimming pools is permitted only onto a pervious surface or onto a pool deck where water is transmitted directly to a pervious surface, only if:
 1. Draining excess water from the pool due to rain to lower the water to the maintenance level;
 2. Repairing, maintaining or replacing a pool component that has become hazardous; or
 3. Repairing a pool leak.

- No person may allow irrigation runoff to escape from that person's land.
- Restaurants and other eating establishments are prohibited from serving water to customers except upon request of the customer.
- Residential car washing and mobile equipment is permitted only on Saturday and Sunday with a pressure washer, hand-held hose equipped with an automatic shut-off nozzle or bucket of five (5) gallons or less, without waste.
- Charity car washes are prohibited except at a commercial car wash that recycles at least 75% of the water it uses or that is certified as a conservation car wash.
- Water customers are requested to practice water conservation and to minimize or discontinue water use for non-essential purposes.
- All non-public swimming pools must have a minimum of 25 percent of the surface area covered with evaporation screens when not in use. Inflatable pool toys or floating decorations may be used.
- Sprinkler system maintenance and testing is prohibited except on designated watering days between the hours 12:00 midnight and 10:00 a.m. and between 8:00 p.m. and 12:00 midnight.

Penalties

Any person who violates this Plan is guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction, the person shall be punished by a fine of not less than one-hundred dollars (\$100.00) and not more than three-hundred dollars (\$300.00) during Stage I.

Termination of Stage I

Stage I of the Plan may be rescinded when the Edwards Aquifer Index Well , J-17, maintains a level 660 ft.-msl or more for ten (10) consecutive days.

A copy of the entire ordinance is available online at the Universal City web site <http://www.universalcitytexas.com/> , click on the Public Works section or call the Public Works office at (210) 658-5364.