

DOMESTIC WATER CONSERVATION PLAN

The Town asks for your cooperation in conserving water, as leaks and excessive non-domestic use have potential to cause the water system to have a low water level, which may result in a water ban.



Ways to Conserve Water ...

- When washing dishes by hand, don't let the water run while rinsing. Fill one sink with wash water and the other with rinse water.
- Adjust sprinklers so only your lawn is watered and not the house, driveway, or road.
- Run your clothes washer and dishwasher only when they are full. You can save up to 1000 liters a month.
- For cold drinks keep a pitcher of water in the refrigerator instead of running the tap. This way, every drop goes down you and not the drain.
- Wash your fruits and vegetables in a pan of water instead of running water from the tap. Then collect the water you use for rinsing fruits and vegetables, reuse it to water houseplants.
- We're more likely to notice leaks indoors, but don't forget to check outdoor faucets, sprinklers and hoses for leaks.
- Shorten your shower by a minute or two and you'll save up to 150 liters per month.
- Adjust your lawn mower to a higher setting. A taller lawn shades roots and holds soil moisture better than if it is closely clipped.
- When running a bath, plug the tub before turning the water on, and then adjust the temperature as the tub fills up
- Collect water from your roof to water your garden

Frequently Asked Questions

Can my children use water toys - i.e. waterslides, slip-n-slides , water sprinklers?

Yes- But water should not be left running when children are not using these toys

Can I wash my car?

Yes- Residential washing of cars is permitted with the use of a hose with an automatic shutoff nozzle.

Can I wash my driveway or parking lot?

No- Washing of paved driveway or parking lot is prohibited.

Can I have a car wash fundraiser?

Yes- Car washes for fund-raising are permitted with the use of an automatic shutoff nozzle. Please note that a car wash permit (no fee) is required from the Town. Free flowing car washes, even for the purpose of fundraising, are not permitted. Automatic shutoff nozzles are required to be utilized at all times.

Can I wash my siding and windows?

Yes- siding and window washing is permitted with the use of an automatic shutoff nozzle.

Swimming Pools

If you have an in-ground or above-ground pool and plan on filling it with Town water, you are required to contact the Town Office for a permit.

Staff will coordinate appropriate times for you to avail of Town water. These times will be later in the evening and throughout the night. The permit cost for swimming pools is \$55 if you have not had a permit in the last 3 years. If you have had a previous permit, the cost is \$16.50 per 1000 gallons. If you only require a water top up in your pool, please estimate the number of gallons required.

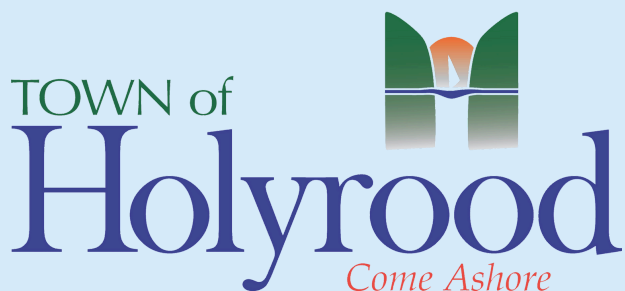
Watering Lawns

Early morning is the best time to water lawns because the air is cooler and there is usually not much wind to blow water droplets. In the middle of the day, water evaporates too quickly. In the evenings, water can cling to the blades of grass overnight, which can cause lawn diseases. When people water lawns later in the evening, the water sits there and promotes fungus. A wet lawn at night is the perfect condition for fungus to grow. Along with mowing the grass too short, watering at night is about the worst thing to do for a lawn.

Existing Lawns

Watering of existing lawns with a sprinkler system is restricted to 2 days per week, between the hours of 5:00 a.m. - 8:00 a.m., in accordance with the following schedule:

- Even civic address numbers on Wednesday and Saturday.
- Odd civic address numbers on Thursday and Sunday.



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New Lawns

New lawns and landscaping are exempt from the lawn watering restrictions for a period of 60 days following installation and plantation, however, watering is designated between the hours of 5:00 a.m. - 8:00 a.m. Lawns that are hydro seeded are exempt for a similar period of 60 days and can also be watered for 20-30 minutes between 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Hand watering of trees, shrubs, flowers, and vegetable gardens with a water can or hose with an automatic shut off nozzle is permitted at any time.

