

CITY OF LIVONIA
VOLUNTARY OUTDOOR WATER USAGE RESTRICTIONS



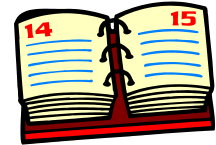
To help reduce costs from increasing water rates that we are charged by Detroit Water and Sewerage for water purchases for our community, it is requested that residents, businesses and property owners develop good outdoor water use habits in regard to *when* water is used outdoors. A very significant factor that can be controlled by Livonia water customers is the amount of water that is used during summer peak demand hours which are between 5:00 a.m. & 9:00 a.m. also 5:00 p.m. & 9:00 p.m. Water customers can help reduce annual rate increases by *managing* their water during these hours as water rates for the water that we purchase is directly related to when and how much water is used during these peak hours.

Three things can be done by every water customer that will help including:



1. **Water outdoors, whenever possible, between 11 p.m. and end prior to 5 a.m.** This is the **best time period** to water by setting automatic sprinkler systems to water during this time period or using sprinklers with hoses that automatically shut off prior to 5 a.m.

2. **Odd/Even Watering:** Between Memorial Day and Labor Day, water customers with an address ending in an odd number are asked to water lawns, fill pools, wash cars, etc., only on odd numbered dates and vice versa for even numbers. Water customers in subdivisions with common areas are also asked to restrict watering these common areas to every other day. (Note: New landscaping may be watered as required during the first 21 days after planting).



3. **Avoid watering on any day between the hours of 5 a.m. to 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. to 9 p.m.** Water use in homes for showers, cooking, etc., is at its maximum demand during these “rush hours”. Watering outdoors during this time exasperates the problem causing potential water pressure issues and increasing the cost of water used during these peak times of the day.

The City of Livonia would like to thank all of our residents and businesses in advance for their voluntary cooperation with this effort. Cooperation among all water customers will help to minimize the possibility of having to implement mandatory water restrictions in the future.

Should you have any questions regarding water usage, please call the Department of Public Works-Water and Sewer Division at (734) 466-2650.