

SOUTHWEST FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT



Water Restrictions

Effective Date and Areas

- The District's year-round water conservation measures go in effect July 1, 2010 except where stricter measures have been imposed by local governments. [Always refer to your local government or utility restriction guidelines first.](#)
- Restrictions apply to all of Charlotte, Citrus, DeSoto, Hardee, Hernando, Highlands, Hillsborough, Manatee, Pinellas, Polk, and Sumter counties; and portions of Lake and Levy counties. [View map.](#)
- The unincorporated parts of Pasco, Pinellas and Sarasota counties have local ordinances and are expected to remain on one-day-per-week restrictions.
- The City of Ocala and unincorporated Marion County will continue to follow the St. Johns River Water Management District's water restrictions; however, the City of Dunnellon and The Villages remain under the Southwest Florida Water Management District's water restrictions.

Lawn Watering Schedule and Times

- Lawn watering is limited to twice per week.
- Unless your city or county has a different schedule or stricter hours in effect,
- Even addresses may water on Thursday and/or Sunday before 10 a.m. or after 4 p.m.
- Odd addresses may water on Wednesday and/or Saturday before 10 a.m. or after 4 p.m.

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Landscape Watering Schedule and Times

- Hand watering and micro-irrigation of plants (other than lawns) can be done on any day and at any time.

New Lawns and Plants

- New lawns and plants have a 30-30 establishment period, which allows any-day watering during the first 30 days.
- During the second 30 days, watering is allowed three days per week: even-numbered addresses may water on Tuesday, Thursday and Sunday; odd-numbered addresses may water Monday, Wednesday and Saturday.

Reclaimed Water

- Reclaimed water remains subject to voluntary watering hours, unless blended with another water source or restricted by the local government or utility.

Fountains, Car Washing and Pressure Washing

- There are no restrictions on fountains, car washing and pressure washing.
- However, the District asks that residents be as efficient as possible, such as using a shut-off nozzle on their hose, so water isn't wasted.

Contact us

If you have additional water restriction questions or wish to report a possible violation, please contact us by calling our **water restrictions hotline** at **1-800-848-0499** (FL only) (*personal assistance is available during business hours; off-hours uses an automated response system*) or 1-800-836-0797 (FL only), ext. 2298; also by email at Water.Restrictions@WaterMatters.org.

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