Pinellas County Utilities CURRENT WATER RESTRICTIONS



Year-round conservation measures limit lawn watering to twice per week.

FLORIDA ADMINISTRATIVE CODE 40D-22 PINELLAS COUNTY CODE 82-2

Irrigation Using County Water or Irrigation Using Wells/Lakes/Ponds

• Irrigation of established lawns and landscaping is authorized for two days per week.

If your house number ends in:	Then you may water on:
EVEN number (0, 2, 4, 6, 8)	Thursday and/or Sunday
ODD number (1, 3, 5, 7, 9)	Wednesday and/or Saturday
Mixed or No address	Tuesday and/or Friday

Morning Hours	Evening Hours
12:01 AM to 10:00 AM	4:00 PM to 11:59 PM

- Watering is prohibited between the hours of 10:00 AM and 4:00 PM
- PROPERTIES TWO ACRES OR GREATER in size may water ½ on Thursday and/or Sunday and may water the remaining ½ on Wednesday and/or Saturday.

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OTHER RESTRICTIONS (APPLIES TO ALL WATER SOURCES) Florida Administrative Code 40D-22

New Plant Material (Lawn & Landscaping) Establishment Period Irrigation Exemption	 New plant materials may be watered for a 60-day total establishment period. From day 1 to day 30, new plant material may be watered any day of the week. From day 31 to day 60, new plant material may be watered 3 days per week. Even addresses only on Tuesday, Thursday, and Sunday Odd addresses only on Monday, Wednesday, and Saturday Only during authorized hours. Isolated to new lawn or plant area only. Exemption begins on the day of installation. On the day of installation, new turfgrass or plant material may be irrigated once without regard to the allowable watering times.
Proof of new lawn material may be faxed to (727) 464-3717	 An entire zone of an irrigation system may be used if the zone waters an area that contains at least 50% new plant material. Partial zone or dispersed plantings shall be watered by some other, more targeted means of supplemental irrigation.
Washing Windows, Buildings & Mobile Homes	Not specifically prohibited. Low-volume methods should be used. Hosing-down a building or other structure to remove material that can be removed with a dry method is considered wasteful and unnecessary.
Washing Sidewalks & Driveways	Not specifically prohibited. Low-volume methods should be used. Hosing-down a driveway or other surface to remove grass clippings or debris that can be removed with a broom or dry method is considered wasteful and unnecessary.
Washing Vehicles	May be washed on any day, at any time, when necessary. A shut-off nozzle or other water-efficient device must be used.
Trees, Shrubs, Flowers & Vegetables	Hand-watering is allowed as needed. A shut-off nozzle or other water efficient device must be used.
Lawn Chemicals	Irrigation to water-in necessary lawn chemicals is not restricted when required by the manufacturer or when required by law. Chemical applications shall be watered during authorized watering hours. Watering-in shall be limited to one application of one-quarter inches within 24 hours of the application.
Hand-watering Lawns	Lawns may be <u>spot treated</u> by hand-watering isolated areas to provide uniform moisture content. This practice is a water-conserving means of compensating for difference in sun exposure, sprinkler coverage, and other site-specific factors.
Low-Volume Irrigation Devices	Landscape (groundcover other than lawn) may be irrigated on an as-needed basis without regard to the normally allowable watering days or times if Low-Volume Irrigation technology is used.
Irrigation System Testing & Repair	May be operated for maintenance and repair with an attendant on site in the area being tested – no more than once per week and one test should not exceed 10 minutes.
Vertical Mowing (Verticutting)	Extra watering of turfgrass may occur on any day of the week for a 14-day period after a vertical mowing procedure.
Wasteful & Unnecessary Use of Water	 The following wasteful and unnecessary water uses are prohibited: Allowing water to flow from an unattended hose Hand-watering a lawn on a restricted day or more than once a day, except when used for spot treatment Hosing-down a driveway or solid surface when a dry method could be used Hosing-down a structure when a dry method could be used Allowing water to flow from a broken sprinkler head, outdoor faucet, malfunctioning plumbing or irrigation system after receiving verbal or written notice