

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.

Visit our website, www.pinellascounty.org/utilities/water-restrict.htm, for more information or click on “Sign Up for Email Updates” to receive notifications when water restrictions change.

Pinellas County Utilities
(727) 464-4000
www.pinellascounty.org/utilities
Fax (727) 464-3717

Southwest Florida Water Management District
1-800-836-0797
www.swfwmd.state.fl.us

OTHER RESTRICTIONS (APPLIES TO ALL WATER SOURCES)

Florida Administrative Code 40D-22

<p>New Plant Material (Lawn & Landscaping)</p> <p>Establishment Period Irrigation Exemption</p> <p>Proof of new lawn material must be faxed to (727) 464-3717</p>	<p>New plant materials may be watered for a <u>60-day total</u> establishment period.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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. • <u>On the day of installation</u>, new turfgrass or plant material may be irrigated once without regard to the allowable watering times. • An entire zone of an irrigation system may be used only 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.
<p>Washing Windows, Buildings & Mobile Homes</p>	<p>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.</p>
<p>Washing Sidewalks & Driveways</p>	<p>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.</p>
<p>Washing Vehicles</p>	<p>May be washed on any day, at any time, when necessary. A shut-off nozzle or other water-efficient device must be used.</p>
<p>Trees, Shrubs, Flowers & Vegetables</p>	<p>Hand-watering is allowed as needed. A shut-off nozzle or other water efficient device must be used.</p>
<p>Lawn Chemicals</p> <p>Report chemical applications to (727) 464-4000</p>	<p>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 or per manufacturer’s instructions. A sign with the date of application must be on site when applied by a professional.</p>
<p>Hand-watering Lawns</p>	<p>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.</p>
<p>Low-Volume Irrigation Devices</p>	<p>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.</p>
<p>Irrigation System Testing & Repair</p>	<p>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.</p>
<p>Wasteful & Unnecessary Use of Water</p>	<p>The following wasteful and unnecessary water uses are prohibited:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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. • Irrigating during or after rainfall. Irrigation systems are required to have a properly installed and operating rain sensor or soil moisture sensing device to bypass irrigation cycles when sufficient soil moisture exists.