

Water Sprinkling Regulations

Water sprinkling regulations are necessary to reduce high-peak demand and conserve so that adequate amounts of water are available for all purposes.

Sprinkling violations can be reported to the Engineering Department at 604.793.2907.

Effective June 1 - September 30

Sprinkling allowed between:

5:00 - 8:00 am or 7:00 - 10:00 pm

Even numbered addresses:

Wednesday and Saturday

Odd numbered addresses:

Thursday and Sunday

Tips to Reduce Water Consumption

Outside the home:

Action	Save
Prepare your lawn - aerate, compost and weed it.	10 - 35 litres per day.
Plant drought resistant plants.	
Limit lawn watering - one hour per week in the morning.	
Water only lawn and vegetation, not driveways.	

Inside the home:

Action	Save
Run only full loads in the dishwasher and washing machine.	50 - 190 litres per load.
Don't run water when rinsing dishes, washing fruits and vegetables, brushing teeth or shaving.	7 - 12 litres per minute.

Did you know?

- Lawn watering uses approximately 30% of the summer water consumption.
- Leaky taps can waste as much as 300 litres of water per week.
- Most lawns only require 2.5 cm (1 inch) of water per week. Water your lawn in the morning to minimize the amount of water lost to evaporation. Aerating your lawn will help water to absorb into the soil and keep the roots moist.

What to do during dry spells

- Let your lawn turn brown - it will recover in the fall when the regular rains resume.
- Mow high. Mow your lawn when the grass is 6-8 cm (2.5-3 in) high. It will develop a deep and extensive root system that retains moisture better.
- Keep your mower blades sharp. A dull blade tears grass and causes more moisture loss.
- Keep weeds out. Water hungry weeds soak up water.



Water Restrictions

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More information:
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Why we need to conserve water

Chilliwack uses water from the Sardis-Vedder Aquifer and its capacity is limited. Using less water saves energy and money, and conserves supply.

By conserving water today, we reduce energy consumption and help sustainably manage this precious groundwater resource.

Like all other municipalities in the Lower Mainland and most municipalities in BC, Chilliwack helps conserve water through summer water restrictions.

How much water do we use?

On an average day, Chilliwack uses 29 million litres of water.

In the summer, we use up to 52 million litres of water per day.

The greater the peak demand for water, the bigger and more expensive the water supply system needs to be.

Conservation Strategies

Rain Barrel Program

The City offers rain barrels which can be purchased by Chilliwack residents at a discounted cost (conditions apply).

Rain barrels offer an alternate source of water for watering plants in and around the home.

The rain barrels are rectangular in design so that they can sit flat against an exterior wall. There are two sizes of rain barrels available and they come with a stand, taps and flexible pipe, installation hardware and instructions.



	Medium	Large
Volume	300 L (80 gallons)	520 L (137 gallons)
Width	79 cm (31 inches)	79 cm (31 inches)
Length	66 cm (26 inches)	125 cm (49 inches)
Height	91 cm (36 inches)	94 cm (37 inches)
Cost	\$80 + taxes	\$130 + taxes

Toilet Rebate Program

The City offers \$50 rebates for toilets that are replaced with an ultra low flush model (conditions apply).

Conservation Strategies

In-Home Water Conservation Kits - \$15

Standard Faucet Aerator – saves water while increasing spray velocity and reducing splash.

Dual Spray Swivel Aerator – reduces water use and boosts pressure. The 360° swivel lets you direct sink water where needed with two different spray modes; multiple stream spray and splash-free bubble stream.

Water Saving Showerhead – features multiple, adjustable spray modes, including regular, massage and combo settings.



Leak Detection Dye Tablets – helpful to identify leaks in your toilet tank, which can waste thousands of litres of water.

Outdoor Water Conservation Kits - \$15

Water Saving Garden Hose Nozzle – equipped with seven spray settings and a control dial to regulate the flow.

Garden Hose Timer – this simple-to-use mechanical timer ensures that your sprinkler will shut off when needed while preventing over-watering of your yard.

Moisture Meter – useful for checking the moisture levels in the soil near the root systems of your outdoor plants.



Both kits are available from the Engineering Reception desk at Chilliwack City Hall:

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