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Water Conservation Ordinance

Although we are not under Stage 1, 2, 3 or 4 restrictions, the City of Buda does have **year-round water use allowances and restrictions**.

We've included those allowances and restrictions below.

24.06.005 Year-Round Water Use Allowances and Restrictions.

The following allowances and restrictions are in effect at all times; however, the allowances and restrictions may be superseded by more stringent restrictions upon implementation of a drought response stage.

- (1) Waste of water is prohibited at all times.
- (2) Irrigation.
 - a. Irrigation with hose-end sprinklers and automatic sprinkler systems is prohibited between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.
 - b. Irrigation with hand-held bucket, hand-held hose, soaker hose and drip irrigation systems is allowed on any day and at any time.
 - c. Irrigation of vegetable gardens is allowed on any day and at any time.
 - d. Irrigation of golf courses, athletic fields and commercial nurseries with sprinklers is prohibited between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

- e. Date and time restrictions for irrigation do not apply during repair or testing of a new or existing irrigation system if the person performing the testing is present.
- f. From and after the effective date of this article, no golf courses shall be allowed to irrigate the greens, tees, roughs or fairways with potable water. Use of potable water for landscape irrigation in and around the club house will be permitted but must conform to all other requirements for landscape irrigation.

(3) Vehicle Washing.

- a. Charity car washes are allowed, but must be done using a hand-held bucket or a hand-held hose equipped with a positive shutoff device.
 - b. Non-commercial vehicle washing is allowed on any day and at any time, but must be done using a hand-held bucket or a hand-held hose equipped with a positive shutoff device.
 - c. Commercial vehicle washing is allowed on any day and at any time.
 - d. New commercial carwashes shall reuse at least 50 percent of rinse water and reuse all reverse osmosis concentrate
- (4) Swimming pools are allowed to operate and be filled as normal. It is recommended that pools be covered while not in use to minimize evaporative losses.
- (5) Operation of non-recirculating aesthetic water features is prohibited at all times.
- (6) Washing of impervious surfaces is allowed but should be limited unless required for health and safety use.
- (7) Foundation watering is allowed on any day and at any time. However, foundation watering shall not result in saturation to the point it causes pooling in the yard or runoff onto impervious surfaces, adjacent property, drainage facilities (natural or man-made), sidewalks or streets.
- (8) Other non-essential water uses are allowed but all reasonable measures shall be taken to limit the use
- (9) Newly constructed Commercial, Mixed Use, Multifamily and Industrial Buildings shall comply with the following:
- a. Newly constructed buildings installing vacuum systems shall not be water-cooled with single-pass potable water when alternative systems are available

- b. Newly constructed buildings installing air conditioning systems shall have a single and independent condensate wastewater line to collect condensate wastewater to provide for future utilization as:
 - i. Process water and cooling tower make-up, and/or
 - ii. Landscape irrigation water. Condensate wastewater shall not be allowed to drain into a storm sewer, roof drain, overflow piping system, public way or impervious surface

You can read the full water conservation ordinance here: <http://bit.ly/2kSELIC>

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