

Caroline County

Public Utility

Water Restriction

Summary Guide

Level – 1

Voluntary - Water Conservation Tips

- ❑ Be Number One. Conservation Starts with YOU
- ❑ Sweep it Away. Use a broom, not the hose to clean the sidewalks.
- ❑ Slow the Flow. Install a water saving showerhead.
- ❑ Be a Drip. Drip system pinpoint water to roots.
- ❑ Quick Shower. Keep showers under 5 minutes.
- ❑ Chill Out. Cool drinking water in the refrigerator: don't run the tap.
- ❑ Keep off the Sidewalk. Water your lawn, not the pavement.
- ❑ Top it Off. Wash only full loads of dishes and cloths
- ❑ Mulch and Save. Minimize evaporation with organic mulch.
- ❑ Save the Rain. Store it for garden watering.
- ❑ Do it Early. Do your watering in the morning to minimize evaporation.
- ❑ Fix your Leaks. A pinhole leak wastes up to 170 gallons a day.
- ❑ Don't Run. Turn off faucets while shaving or brushing your teeth .
- ❑ Stop, Look & Listen. Check pipes, facets and toilets for leaks.
- ❑ Toilet Bowl Tip. Put food coloring in your toilet tank. If it seeps into the toilet bowl with out flushing, you have a leak.

Level - 2

Water Restrictions / Low

- ❑ **Watering of Lawns & Gardens**
 - ❑ Automatic & Manual watering systems on alternating days* Hand-Held hose with a trigger nozzle, bucket or watering can at any time.
- ❑ **Washing your Vehicle**
 - ❑ Only use a bucket, watering can, high pressure cleaning unit or commercial car wash. Use hand-held hose with trigger nozzle for pre-rinsing and rinsing only
- ❑ **Cleaning Paved Areas**
 - ❑ Banned, unless required for health and safety reasons
- ❑ **Pools and Spas**
 - ❑ New and existing pools or spas of 1,000 gallons or less may be filled with a hand-held hose with a trigger nozzle, watering can or bucket. Filling a new or existing pool or spa above 1,000 gallons requires permission from Public Utilities

Level - 3

Water Restrictions / Moderate

- ❑ **Watering of Lawns & Gardens**
 - ❑ Hand-Held hose with a trigger nozzle, bucket or watering can on alternating days* .
- ❑ **Washing your Vehicle**
 - ❑ Only use a bucket, watering can, high pressure cleaning unit or commercial car wash.
- ❑ **Cleaning Paved Areas**
 - ❑ Banned, unless required for health and safety reasons
- ❑ **Pools and Spas**
 - ❑ New and existing pools or spas of 1,000 gallons or less may be filled with a hand-held hose with a trigger nozzle, watering can or bucket. Filling a new or existing pool or spa above 1,000 gallons requires permission from Public Utilities

Level - 4

Water Restrictions / High

- ❑ **Watering of Lawns & Gardens**
 - ❑ No watering lawns. Hand-held or manual dripper system on gardens only on Wednesdays and/or Sundays for odd street numbers and on Tuesdays and/or Saturdays for even street numbers.
- ❑ **Washing your Vehicle**
 - ❑ Hand wash only with a bucket for windows, mirrors, lights and spot removing corrosive substances. Commercial Car wash is permitted.
- ❑ **Cleaning Paved Areas**
 - ❑ Banned, unless required for health and safety reasons
- ❑ **Pools and Spas**
 - ❑ New pools or spas cannot be filled. Existing pools and spas can only be filled with a bucket filled directly from a tap. Filling existing pools and spas above 1,000 gallons requires permission from Public Utilities

Level - 5

Water Restrictions / Very High

- ❑ **Watering of Lawns & Gardens**
 - ❑ No watering lawns and Gardens
- ❑ **Washing your Vehicle**
 - ❑ Cleaning only to be carried out on windows, mirrors, lights and spot removing corrosive substances. This can only be carried out using a bucket.
- ❑ **Cleaning Paved Areas**
 - ❑ Banned, unless required for health and safety reasons
- ❑ **Pools and Spas**
 - ❑ New pools or spas cannot be filled. Existing pools and spas can only be filled with a bucket filled directly from a tap. Filling existing pools and spas above 1,000 gallons requires permission from Public Utilities

Level - 6

Water Restrictions / Emergency

- ❑ **Watering of Lawns & Gardens**
 - ❑ Banned, No watering lawns and Gardens
- ❑ **Washing your Vehicle**
 - ❑ Cleaning only to be carried out on windows, mirrors, lights and spot removing corrosive substances. This can only be carried out using a bucket.
- ❑ **Cleaning Paved Areas**
 - ❑ Banned, unless required for health and safety reasons
- ❑ **Pools and Spas**
 - ❑ New & existing pools or spas cannot be filled.
- ❑ **Restaurants**
 - ❑ Banned on servicing water to customers unless requested
- ❑ **Commercial Car / Truck Washes**
 - ❑ Banned

- *Alternate days means odd-numbered houses can water on odd days of the month (1st, 3rd, 5th, ext.) and even-numbered houses can water on even days of the month. Properties with no house number are considered even.