



TOWN OF LAKE COWICHAN

WATER USE RESTRICTION DETAILS

Watering Regulation Summary Table

Until further notice Stage 1, Watering Restrictions are in effect for the Town of Lake Cowichan, Duncan, North Cowichan, Cowichan Valley Regional District, and Cowichan Tribes.

Stage 1 and Stage 2 sprinkling times are

7:00 am – 9:00 am OR 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm

Stage 1: Sprinkling 2 hours maximum
EVEN numbered houses on even days
ODD numbered houses on odd days

Stage 2: *EVEN* numbered houses:
Wednesdays & Saturdays only
as per the adjacent chart

ODD numbered houses:
Thursdays & Sundays only
as per the adjacent chart

Stage 3: Hand-watering / Micro drip
irrigation lines only



Please check the local newspaper or each water provider's website during the summer months to see if Stage 2 or Stage 3 restrictions are in effect.

	STAGE 1	STAGE 2	STAGE 3
Effective Date	May 1 to Oct. 31	As required	As required
Sprinkling Times	7:00am - 9:00am OR 7:00pm – 9:00pm	7:00am - 9:00am OR 7:00pm – 9:00pm	NOT PERMITTED
Even Numbered Houses	Even days	Wednesday & Saturday	
Odd Numbered Houses	Odd days	Thursday & Sunday	
Watering New Lawn	Same as above unless Permit is obtained	NO PERMITS ISSUED	NO PERMITS ISSUED
Trees, Shrubs and Gardens <small>(Hand watering with a hose with spring-loaded nozzle, watering pail or bucket)</small>	7-9 am OR 7-9 pm Maximum 2 hours per day		
Micro or Drip Irrigation*	Anytime - maximum 4 hours per day		
Filling Pools and Hot Tubs	Anytime	Anytime	NOT PERMITTED**
Washing Vehicles or Boats	Anytime	Anytime	NOT PERMITTED
Washing Driveways Houses & Sidewalks	Anytime	NOT PERMITTED***	NOT PERMITTED***

*Micro or drip irrigation delivers water to the root zone of the plants and uses less than 20 gallons per hour at less than 25psi. Weeper hoses are also permitted. Soaker hoses are not permitted.

**Pools may be topped up to account for evaporation losses in order to avoid damage to pumps, etc.

***Washing driveways, houses or sidewalks is only permitted during stage 2 and 3 for the preparation of applying paints, preservatives or for pouring concrete.

Exemptions - Water Restrictions: Nurseries, turf farms or tree farms; School and Municipal playing fields; Sprinkling Permit holders (obtained from your water provider); Car dealerships; and other commercial enterprises which require water use to facilitate normal business activities (ie. power washing companies, window washing companies etc.) unless ordered otherwise by the local government.