

INTRODUCTION

Water – One of Our Most Precious Assets

Did you know that the City of Temple has a Water Conservation Plan? We do, and we think it's important for you to know about. Our Water Conservation Plan is based on both supply and demand. The City's ability to deliver water to our customers is limited both by the supply available, and how much demand is placed on our water distribution system.

Our Water Conservation Plan establishes certain "triggers" that move us progressively from voluntary conservation to mandatory conservation stages. The Water Conservation Plan triggers include items such as time of year, daily consumption of water usage, the supplier initiated water conservation stage, and quality control such as contamination or system failures. Once certain criteria are reached, water conservation stages are triggered.



Our Water Conservation Plan consists of 4 stages.

Stage 1 is a voluntary conservation stage in which customers are simply asked to voluntarily limit their outdoor and non-essential water usage. Stages 2 through 4 are gradual in nature and provide mandatory conservation measures for water customers, with Stage 4 being an "Emergency Water Shortage" that includes only essential water usage. The Plan also has penalties for violations when a Stage has been engaged, to include fines and the discontinuation of water service.

We encourage all citizens to conserve water because every drop counts.



If you have any questions or comments, please contact:

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For more information on what stage we are in,
visit www.templetx.gov/waterconservation

WE ARE
SUSTAINABLE
TEMPLE



Water Conservation
Every Drop Counts



FOUR STAGES

STAGE 1

Mild Water Shortage Conditions Voluntary Conservation

On June 1st, Citizens are requested to:

- Practice water conservation and minimize or discontinue water use for non-essential purposes.
- Voluntarily limit the irrigation of landscaped areas to two days per week (as assigned by street address number) and to irrigate landscapes only before **10:00 a.m.** or after **8:00 p.m.** on designated watering days, unless if watering by hand-held means.
- **Sundays** and **Thursdays** for water customers with a street address ending in an even number (**0, 2, 4, 6, or 8**)
- **Saturdays** and **Wednesdays** for water customers with a street address ending in an odd number (**1, 3, 5, 7, or 9**)



STAGE 2

Moderate Water Shortage Conditions Mandatory Conservation

Citizens must:

- Limit the irrigation of landscaped areas to two days per week (as assigned by street address number) and to irrigate landscapes only before **10:00 a.m.** or after **8:00 p.m.** on designated watering days, unless if watering by hand-held means.
- **Sundays** and **Thursdays** for water customers with a street address ending in an even number (**0, 2, 4, 6, or 8**)
- **Saturdays** and **Wednesdays** for water customers with a street address ending in an odd number (**1, 3, 5, 7, or 9**)
- Fill, refill, or add to any indoor or outdoor swimming pools, wading pools, or Jacuzzi-type pools only on designated watering days as listed above.

- Operate fountains or ponds only to support aquatic life or where such fountains or ponds are equipped with a recirculation system.
- Use fire hydrants for firefighting or related activities only or for construction purposes under special permit from the City of Temple.
- Irrigate golf courses only on designated watering days before 10:00 a.m. or after 8:00 p.m., unless the course utilizes a water source other than that provided by the City of Temple.
- Not wash down hard-surfaced areas (driveways, tennis courts, etc.), flush gutters, use water for dust control, or wash down buildings, except for fire protection.
- Understand that restaurants are prohibited from serving water, except by request.



STAGE 3

Severe Water Shortage Conditions Mandatory Conservation

Citizens must follow all restrictions of Stage 2 and:

- Limit the irrigation of landscaped areas to two days per week (as assigned by street address number) and to irrigate landscapes only before **8:00 a.m.** or after **8:00 p.m.** on designated watering days, unless if watering by hand-held means.
- **Sundays** and **Thursdays** for water customers with a street address ending in an even number (**0, 2, 4, 6, or 8**)
- **Saturdays** and **Wednesdays** for water customers with a street address ending in an odd number (**1, 3, 5, 7, or 9**)

STAGE 4

Emergency Water Shortage Conditions Mandatory Conservation

Citizens must discontinue all non-essential water use:

- Irrigation of landscaped areas is absolutely prohibited.
- Use of water to wash any motor vehicle is prohibited.
- Filling, refilling, or adding of water to pools is prohibited.
- No application for new, additional, expanded, or increased-in-size water service connections, meters, service lines, pipeline extensions, mains, or water service facilities of any kind shall be allowed or approved.
- The city manager is authorized to implement any actions or restrictions necessary to protect the public health, safety, and welfare including, but not limited to, water rationing, water service termination; and mandatory closure of commercial and industrial facilities.

WHEN TO WATER

WATERING SCHEDULE

Sundays & Thursdays

Addresses Ending with
Even Numbers (**0, 2, 4, 6, or 8**)

Saturdays & Wednesdays

Addresses Ending with
Odd Numbers (**1, 3, 5, 7, or 9**)

Stage 1 & 2

Before **10:00 a.m.** or after **8:00 p.m.**

Stage 3

Before **8:00 a.m.** or after **8:00 p.m.**



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