

Stage 1

Water Shortage Alert

Town of Holly Springs Code of Ordinances
Chapter 16, Article II, Division 2, as amended

These regulations are in effect as of August 22, 2008

Lawn Watering:

- Customers may water landscaping according to the following schedule:
 - (a) For customers whose address numbers end in an **even** digit, such watering shall be restricted to between 6 and 10 a.m. and between 6 and 10 p.m. **Mondays, Wednesdays and Saturdays.**
 - (b) For customers whose address numbers end in an **odd** digit, such watering shall be restricted to between 6 and 10 a.m. and between 6 and 10 p.m. **Tuesdays, Thursdays and Sundays.**
 - (c) No irrigation from the Town's public water supply shall take place on Friday
- **Landscape Watering Permits** will be issued on a temporary 30-day basis from Town Clerk's Office for establishing new plantings, including sod, seed (re-seeding and over-seeding are included) landscape beds, and trees. The cost of Landscape Watering Permits is \$50, but fee can be waived if evidence is provided that irrigation need is for establishing warm-season hardy grasses or drought-resistant landscaping. Fee waivers will not be granted for the planting of any cool-season grasses such as Rye or Fescue.
- Hand-watering with containers or hoses, the use of soaker hoses, drip irrigation and the use of alternative sources of water to the Town's public water supply are not restricted.
- Public and private property of social or economic impact in the community (i.e. public and private schools, day care centers, public and private golf courses, public parks and athletic fields) and businesses with plants for sale are not subject to these irrigation schedules; however, such users must keep non-essential watering to the minimum required to maintain safe playing surfaces or to maintain plant inventory.

Other Water Uses:

- During a Stage 1 Water Shortage Alert, no other uses of water are restricted, except it is unlawful to over-water so that water collects on pavement (sidewalks, driveways, streets) and flows into storm drains.
- New ponds, fountains, pools and other such structures should not be filled until the Stage 1 Water Shortage Alert is lifted. Existing structures can be filled to remain operational, support aquatic life and provide sanitary conditions for swimmers. The Director of Water Quality or the Town Manager or his designee may grant exceptions on a case-by-case basis.

Enforcement

- First-time violators will receive a written warning.
- Subsequent violations will result in water cutoff. The reconnection fee is \$75 for the first offense; \$300 for the second offense and \$500 for each additional offense.
- In addition, the Town may assess a civil penalty of up to \$1,000.