

WATER SHORTAGE WARNING DECLARATION

In accordance with Chapter 2, Article V of the City of Rocky Mount Code of Ordinance, a Water Shortage Warning is hereby declared due to continuing severe draught conditions, the rapid decline of water levels in the Tar River Reservoir and the existence of a water shortage now and the future.

Accordingly, Stage I mandatory water use restrictions are imposed for all Rocky Mount water customers as set out in Section 2-200 of the City Code of Ordinance, effective August 11, 2007.

All restrictions enumerated in Section 2-200 are in force; provided, the irrigating and watering of lawns, shrubbery and gardens shall be restricted to the hours of 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. by handheld hose, containers or drip irrigation systems only as follows:

Property located East of Wesleyan Blvd. (US 301) on Wednesdays and Saturdays.
Property located West of Wesleyan Blvd. (US 301) on Thursdays and Sundays.

Violations of mandatory water restrictions are misdemeanors. The following fines and penalties apply:

- 1) Residential Violations.
 - a. First violation – warning notice
 - b. Second violation - \$100 fine
 - c. Third violation - \$250 fine
 - d. Fourth violation – termination of service until such time as the violator establishes to the reasonable satisfaction of the City Manager that such customer has taken appropriate steps to prevent any further violations of this article.
 - e. Fifth violation – termination of service until the end of the water shortage warning.
- 2) Non-residential Violations
 - a. First violation – warning notice
 - b. Second violation - \$250 fine
 - c. Third violation - \$500 fine
 - d. Fourth violation – termination of service until such time as the violator establishes to the reasonable satisfaction of the City Manager that such customer has taken appropriate steps to prevent any further violations of this article.
 - e. Fifth violation – termination of service until the end of the water shortage warning.
- 3) High volume water users under 10% per day reduction – violations:
 - a. First violation – warning notice
 - b. Second violation - \$1,000 fine
 - c. Third and subsequent violations - \$5,000 fine

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