



City of Dallas Mandatory Watering Restrictions in effect Dec. 12

There has been a lot of media coverage about the severity of the drought in Texas. As of December 12, 2011, Stage 1 mandatory watering restrictions are in effect for all City of Dallas Water Utilities customers.

Dallas has done a good job of planning for future water needs. Currently, our connected water supply reservoirs (Lake Grapevine, Lewisville, Ray Hubbard, Ray Roberts, Tawakoni and Fork) are approximately 75 percent full. However, other factors make it prudent that we activate Stage 1 of our Drought Contingency Plan before the lakes are depleted further.

Meteorologists and climatologists are currently predicting the drought will continue at least through summer 2012. Without significant rainfall, our reservoirs will continue to be depleted through consumption and evaporation.

Through their commitment to wise water use, Dallas residents and businesses have helped save 146 billion gallons of water in the last ten years. Those conservation efforts have helped mitigate the effect of the drought, but the mandatory restrictions in Stage 1 are needed to help extend the city's water supplies.

The primary impact of Stage 1 on Dallas water customers is that outside watering is allowed only twice per week. The restrictions apply to automatic sprinklers, hose end sprinklers, drip irrigation, soaker hoses and hand watering. Please note the schedule below for allowed watering days.

The first violation of the restrictions will result in a warning; subsequent violations could mean fines of \$250 to \$2,000.

For a more information on Stage 1 and other elements of the Drought Contingency Plan, go to SaveDallasWater.com or call 311.

STAGE 1 WATERING SCHEDULE Dallas Drought Contingency Plan

Last Digit of Address	Watering Days Allowed
0, 2, 4, 6 or 8 (even numbers)	Sundays and Thursdays
1, 3, 5, 7 or 9 (odd numbers)	Saturdays and Wednesdays



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