



What does the Outdoor Watering Ban Really Mean?

During Drought Level 4 outdoor watering is prohibited except as specified below.

1. You may capture and reuse cooling system condensate or stormwater in compliance with applicable local ordinances.
2. You may reuse gray water in compliance with applicable local ordinances.
3. You may continue to irrigate personal food gardens from your home water supply.
4. Newly installed landscapes may be watered for thirty days after installation only if installed by a professionally certified or licensed landscaper, golf course contractor or sports turf landscaper.
5. Golf course greens may be watered from public systems.
6. Golf course greens, tees and fairways may be watered by reclaimed wastewater if applied by a designated user and from a system permitted by EPD.
7. Irrigation contractors may use public water during installation and as needed for proper maintenance and adjustments only.
8. Water may be used as necessary by sod producers, ornamental growers, fruit and vegetable growers, and retail garden centers.
9. Water may be used for hydroseeding and powerwashing by commercial companies only. Water may be used by commercial car washes and on construction sites.
10. Producers of food and fiber may use water as necessary.
11. Activities essential to daily commercial businesses may use outdoor water as necessary.
12. Pesticides and herbicides may be watered-in when applied by commercial contractors.
13. Water may not be used from fire hydrants except for firefighting, public health and safety or flushing by authorized firefighters.
14. Washing of hard surfaces such as streets, driveways, sidewalks, buildings, structures, cars, trailers, motorbikes, airplanes or golf carts is not allowed.
15. Swimming pools cannot be filled except for health care needs or for structural integrity.
16. Water may not be used for ornamental purposes such as reflecting pools, fountains or waterfalls except to support aquatic life.

If you have further questions regarding the watering ban and what it means to you, please call 678-242-2500.