




# WATER CONSERVATION REQUIREMENTS

Per the 2021 Water Shortage Contingency Plan (as stated in Section 4.1.4.1.1), all customers shall abide by the following water conservation requirements at all times in all Water Shortage Stages:

1. Refrain from hosing down driveways and other hard surfaces, except for health and sanitary reasons.
2. Repair faucets, toilets, pipes, and other potential sources of water leaks.
3. Refrain from watering lawns on public medians.
4. Refrain from watering lawns within 48 hours after measureable precipitation.
5. Adjust and operate all landscape irrigation systems in a manner that will maximize irrigation efficiency and avoid over watering or watering of hardscape and resulting in runoff
6. Prevent excessively irrigating any lawn or landscape area that would cause the sheeting of water to flow; eliminate water runoff from lawns or landscape areas into any gutters, streets, or alleys.
7. Irrigate landscape only between 6 p.m. and 9 a.m. Customers with weather-based irrigation controllers are exempt from this requirement. This provision does not apply when:
  - a. Manually watering during the establishment period of a new landscape;
  - b. Supervised spot watering is done to address landscape issues;
  - c. Temperatures are predicted to fall below freezing;
  - d. Testing/repairing an irrigation system;
  - e. Using drip and point-to-point irrigation systems;
  - f. A longer watering window is needed due to system constraints, and
  - g. Measureable precipitation has occurred within the last 48 hours.
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  10. Do not use decorative fountains unless they are equipped with a recirculating system.
  11. When installing plumbing fixtures, use low-flow devices, except for those that require high-flow fixtures for health and/or sanitary reasons. Where possible, install pool and spa covers to minimize water loss due to evaporation during non-operating days.
  12. Do not allow water to run while washing vehicles, including autos, trucks, trailers, motor homes, boats, or others. Use a hose with an automatic shutoff valve to avoid runoff into gutters, streets, or alleys. Use a hose equipped with an automatic shutoff valve or other device that causes it to cease dispensing water immediately when not in use.
  13. When installing new landscaping, refer to the Water Use Classification of Landscape Species (WUCOLS). Plant low water California Friendly® Landscapes. Non-functional turf areas are not recommended. Turf lined channels are only permitted when justified by environmental regulations.
  14. Refrain from watering during rain or high winds by turning off irrigation timers.