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Phase III Residential Water Restriction Schedules

Beginning January 15, 2008, in Lee and Collier counties, irrigation is permitted one day a week. Residents may choose from one of two “watering windows” on their designated irrigation day. Watering is not permitted during both time periods. These schedules do not apply to golf and plant nursery operations.

Watering schedules for Lee and Collier counties (excluding Cape Coral) for properties less than 5 acres

Addresses that end in	Day	Times
1 or 2	Mondays	4 a.m. to 8 a.m. OR 4 p.m. to 8 p.m.
3 or 4	Wednesdays	4 a.m. to 8 a.m. OR 4 p.m. to 8 p.m.
5 or 6 or multiple addresses	Thursdays	4 a.m. to 8 a.m. OR 4 p.m. to 8 p.m.
7 or 8	Saturdays	4 a.m. to 8 a.m. OR 4 p.m. to 8 p.m.
9 or 0	Sundays	4 a.m. to 8 a.m. OR 4 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Watering schedules for Lee and Collier counties (excluding Cape Coral) for properties 5 acres or greater

Addresses that end in	Day	Times
1 or 2	Mondays	12 a.m. to 8 a.m. OR 4 p.m. to 11:59 p.m.
3 or 4	Wednesdays	12 a.m. to 8 a.m. OR 4 p.m. to 11:59 p.m.
5 or 6, no addresses or multiple addresses	Thursdays	12 a.m. to 8 a.m. OR 4 p.m. to 11:59 p.m.
7 or 8	Saturdays	12 a.m. to 8 a.m. OR 4 p.m. to 11:59 p.m.
9 or 0	Sundays	12 a.m. to 8 a.m. OR 4 p.m. to 11:59 p.m.

Watering schedules for Cape Coral residents not on reclaimed water system

Addresses that end in	Day	Time
0	Mondays	12 a.m. to 4 a.m.
1	Mondays	4 a.m. to 8 a.m.
2	Tuesdays	12 a.m. to 4 a.m.
3	Tuesdays	4 a.m. to 8 a.m.
4	Wednesdays	12 a.m. to 4 a.m.
5	Wednesdays	4 a.m. to 8 a.m.
6	Thursdays	12 a.m. to 4 a.m.
7	Thursdays	4 a.m. to 8 a.m.
8	Fridays	12 a.m. to 4 a.m.
9	Fridays	4 a.m. to 8 a.m.
Odd and even number addresses	Sundays	4 a.m. to 8 a.m.

Watering schedules for Cape Coral residents on reclaimed water system

Addresses that end in	Days	Time
0	Mondays and Fridays	12 a.m. to 4 a.m.
1	Mondays and Fridays	4 a.m. to 8 a.m.
3 and 5	Wednesdays and Saturdays	12 a.m. to 4 a.m.
7 and 9	Wednesdays and Saturdays	4 a.m. to 8 a.m.
2 and 4	Thursdays and Sundays	12 a.m. to 4 a.m.
6 and 8	Thursdays and Sundays	4 a.m. to 8 a.m.

Watering schedule for newly planted landscaping and sod in Lee and Collier counties including Cape Coral

Property Size	Days in ground	Days Irrigation permitted	Time of irrigation
Less than 5 acres	30 days or less	All days except Fridays	2 a.m. to 8 a.m.
Less than 5 acres	31 to 60	Mondays, Wednesday, Thursdays and Saturdays	2 a.m. to 8 a.m.
More than 5 acres	30 days or less	All days except Fridays	12:01 a.m. to 8 a.m.
More than 5 acres	31 to 60 days	Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays	12:01 a.m. to 8 a.m.

Homeowners should keep documentation on any new landscaping, such as a dated receipt of purchase, in case they are required to provide proof of the planting date.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Will my lawn die if it's only watered once a week especially in the dry season?

No. Watering once a week may even reduce incidences of diseases and weed infestation. Apply about ¾ inches of water to your lawn each time it is irrigated.

Can I water the lawn after applying fertilizer or pesticides?

Yes. You may water-in fertilizer or pesticide for 10 minutes after application. This work can be done any day of the week as long as a homeowner or technician is present during application.

Do these restrictions apply if I water the lawn from a well, canal, pond or surface lake?

Yes. Surface and groundwater sources are connected. Water in lakes and canals helps to protect private and public wells from salt water intrusion, and helps store rainfall to recharge well and aquifers.

Can I hand-water my lawn?

Yes. You can hand-water stressed plants for 10 minutes per day using a single hose with an attached automatic shut off nozzle.

What other low-volume watering methods are allowed?

Drip, bubble and micro-jet systems that apply water directly to root plant zones may be used any time. However, a voluntary reduction in use is encouraged and any low-volume system should not produce water runoff. Watering cans are also low-volume and can be used anytime.

When can I wash my car or boat?

Anytime. Vehicle washing is not restricted. Park your car over a non-paved or porous surface to limit water runoff, and always attach an automatic shut-off to your hose.

My organization is scheduling a fundraising car wash. Do we need to apply for a variance?

No. There are no restrictions on vehicle washing. Follow the above directions for car washing.