



WATER EXEMPTION PERMITS

NEW LAWN PERMITS

New lawn permits allow residents to water their newly planted lawns in the summer, every day from 4 a.m. to 9 a.m. for three weeks.

NEMATODE PERMITS

Nematodes are live parasitic organisms that are applied to lawns around late July or early August to control European Chafer beetle infestations. Nematode permits allow residents applying nematode treatments to water their lawns outside of the regulated days and times for three weeks.

Find out how to apply by visiting coquitlam.ca/H2O or by contacting Engineering Customer Service at 604-927-3500 epw@coquitlam.ca



Visit coquitlam.ca/H2O to learn about other outdoor water uses and for water use regulations updates.

WATER USE REGULATIONS ARE IN EFFECT MAY 1 – OCTOBER 15



LAWN WATERING

Under *Drinking Water Conservation Plan Bylaw No. 4838, 2018*, lawn watering in **Stage 1** is permitted during the following days and times:

RESIDENTIAL ADDRESS

EVEN numbered
Wednesday | Saturday
4 a.m. – 9 a.m.

ODD numbered
Thursday | Sunday
4 a.m. – 9 a.m.

NON-RESIDENTIAL ADDRESS

EVEN numbered
Monday 1 a.m. – 6 a.m.
Friday 4 a.m. – 9 a.m.

ODD numbered
Tuesday 1 a.m. – 6 a.m.
Friday 4 a.m. – 9 a.m.



TREES, SHRUBS, GARDENS & PLANTERS

Watering of trees, shrubs, gardens and planters in **Stage 1** using an automated watering system is permitted during the following days and times:

RESIDENTIAL ADDRESS 4 a.m. – 9 a.m., any day

NON-RESIDENTIAL ADDRESS 1 a.m. – 9 a.m., any day

HAND WATERING (spring-loaded hose nozzle or water container) All properties EXEMPT

DRIP IRRIGATION AND SOAKER HOSE SYSTEMS All properties EXEMPT

Watering of edible plants grown for food is EXEMPT from Stage 1 regulations.



Go Slow on Your H₂O

WATERING RESTRICTIONS

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WHY WE ENCOURAGE WATER CONSERVATION

- During the summer, water consumption almost doubles mainly due to outdoor use while our region's water supply continues to be limited.
- It helps keep the City's water infrastructure running efficiently while deferring costly upgrades.
- It helps to ensure that water demand is available for unforeseen emergencies (e.g. major service disruption, firefighting).

TIPS FOR A WATER WISE GARDEN

- Ask your local garden centre to recommend native and drought-tolerant plants that can survive in hot, dry summers and cool, wet winters.
- Group drought-resistant plants together and water-loving plants together in your garden.
- Use drip irrigation on your garden to maximize watering efficiency.
- Cover the garden bed with mulch to minimize water loss, suppress weeds, and insulate plants in the winter.

MAKE WATER WISE DECISIONS AT HOME

Did you know that making simple changes around your home can significantly lower your water usage?

The City offers tools for purchase to help you manage your water consumption.

ELECTRONIC WATER TIMER

Connects to your hose-fed sprinkler to help manage watering times.



TIPS FOR A HEALTHY LAWN

- A healthy lawn only needs about 2.5 cm (1 in.) of water or about one hour of watering per week.
- Use a spring-loaded hose nozzle to hand water your lawn.
- Mow your lawn 3 inches high and leave grass clippings on your lawn to encourage deep roots and to minimize water loss.
- Golden-brown is the new green! Let your lawn naturally go dormant in the summer, it will turn green again in the wetter months.
- Plant your new lawn in spring or fall to encourage growth while reducing watering needs.
- Aerate your lawn in spring to allow grass roots access to air, water, and nutrients.
- Harvest rainwater using a rain barrel and use it to water your lawn and garden. Rain barrels can be purchased from the City at a low cost. Visit coquitlam.ca/H2O frequently or contact Engineering Customer Service at 604-927-3500 for up-to-date watering restrictions.

RAIN BARRELS

Collects and stores rainwater for re-use on gardens, lawns, and hanging baskets.



For more information on water conservation tools, visit coquitlam.ca/H2O or call Engineering Customer Service at 604-927-3500.