

WATER RESTRICTIONS (Stages 1, 2, 3, 4)

Watering Day is determined by the Last Digit of Address: 0 or 1 = Mondays; 2 or 3 = Tuesdays; 4 or 5 = Wednesdays; 6 or 7 = Thursdays; and 8 or 9 = Fridays (No watering on weekends.)

Stage 1 Restrictions begin when the 10-day rolling average of the Edwards Aquifer level drops to 660 feet mean sea level at the monitored well. Coming out of drought stages can be considered 15 days after the aquifer is above the trigger.

- All residential fountains and indoor commercial fountains can operate at any stage of drought. Outdoor commercial fountains must have a Live Oak variance in order to operate during drought stages 1 through 4.
- Watering with an irrigation system, sprinkler or soaker hose is allowed only once a week before 11 a.m. or after 7 p.m. on your designated watering day.
- Water waste is prohibited at all times. Water waste includes allowing water to run off into a gutter, ditch, or drain; or failing to repair a controllable leak.
- Watering days begin and end at midnight; overnight watering is not allowed.
- All non-public swimming pools must have a minimum of 25 percent of the surface area covered with evaporation screens when not in use. Inflatable pool toys or floating decorations may be used.
- Hand watering with a hand-held hose, soaker hose, drip irrigation, bucket or watering can is permitted any time and any day.
- Washing impervious cover such as parking lots, driveways, streets or sidewalks is prohibited. Health and safety exceptions to this rule may be requested from the City of Live Oak in writing.

Stage 2 Restrictions begin when the aquifer level reaches 650 feet mean sea level at the monitored well.

- All restrictions from Stage 1 remain in effect, unless added to or replaced by Stage 2 rules.
- Landscape watering with an irrigation system, sprinkler or soaker hose is allowed only once a week from 7-11 a.m. and 7-11 p.m. on your designated watering day, as determined by your address.
- Watering with drip irrigation or a 5-gallon bucket is permitted any day but only between 7-11 a.m. and 7-11 p.m.
- All residential fountains and indoor commercial fountains can operate at any stage of drought. Outdoor commercial fountains must have a Live Oak variance in order to operate during drought stages 1 through 4.
- Watering with a hand-held hose is allowed any time on any day.
- All non-public swimming pools must have a minimum of 25 percent of the surface area covered with evaporation screens when not in use. Inflatable pool toys or floating decorations may be used for this purpose.
- Washing impervious cover such as parking lots, driveways, streets or sidewalks is prohibited. Health and safety exceptions to this rule may be requested from the City of Live Oak in writing.
- Residential car washing is allowed during drought once per week on Saturday or Sunday as long as there is no water waste.
- The use of commercial car wash facilities is allowed any day.
- Hotels, motels and other lodging must offer and clearly notify guests of a "linen/towel change on request only" program.
- And don't forget to follow these year-round rules:
- Water waste is prohibited at all times. This includes lawn watering overspray and runoff.
- Restaurants may serve water only on request (to reduce dishwashing).
- Charity car washes are allowed only at commercial car wash facilities.

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- Water waste is prohibited at all times. This includes lawn watering overspray and runoff.
- Restaurants may serve water only on request (to reduce dishwashing).
- Charity car washes are allowed only at commercial car wash facilities.

Stage 3 Restrictions begin when the aquifer level drops to 640 feet mean sea level at the monitored well.

- All restrictions from Stage 1 and Stage 2 remain in effect, unless added to or replaced by Stage 3 rules.
- Landscape watering allowed only every other week with an irrigation system, sprinkler or soaker hose. Weeks when no watering is allowed will be announced via local media and online.
- Landscape watering is allowed only from 7-11 a.m. and 7-11 p.m. on your designated watering day as determined by your address.
- Watering with drip irrigation is allowed every Monday, Wednesday and Friday but only from 7-11 a.m. and 7-11 p.m.
- Watering with a hand-held hose is allowed any time on any day.
- All residential fountains and indoor commercial fountains can operate at any stage of drought. Outdoor; commercial fountains must have a Live Oak variance in order to operate during drought stages 1 through 4.
- All non-public swimming pools must have a minimum of 25 percent of the surface area covered when not in use. Inflatable pool toys or floating decorations may be used for this purpose.
- Washing impervious cover such as parking lots, driveways, streets or sidewalks is prohibited. Health and safety exceptions may be requested from the City of Live Oak in writing.
- Residential car washing allowed during drought once per week on Saturday or Sunday as long as there is no water waste.
- The use of commercial car wash facilities is allowed any day. Hotels, motels and other lodging must limit linen/towel changes to once every three nights, except for health and safety.

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- Water waste is prohibited at all times. This includes lawn watering overspray and runoff.
- Restaurants may serve water only on request (to reduce dishwashing).
- Charity car washes are allowed only at commercial car wash facilities.

Stage 4 may be declared if the total supply of water from the Edwards Aquifer and other sources is insufficient to meet customer demand, even while complying with lesser restriction stages. Stage 4 restrictions may be declared at the discretion of the City Manager upon completion of a 30-day monitoring period following Stage 3 declaration.

Watering Restrictions for Stage 4, Stage 3 landscape irrigation restrictions remain in effect.

Drought Surcharge:

A drought surcharge is assessed on all accounts for water used or assumed to be used for landscape irrigation. Surcharge is to remain in effect for a minimum of one complete billing month and will remain in effect if Stage 4 is still in effect at the beginning of the next billing month.

Other Restrictions, additional restrictions on water use may be established at the discretion of the City Council.