

Hays County WCID 1 & 2 Water Conservation and Drought Contingency Plan Resident Quick Reference Guide

This quick reference guide has been prepared to assist our customers in complying with some of the fundamental requirements of our adopted Water Conservation and Drought Contingency Plan ("WCDCP"). This guide is not intended as a substitute for the WCDCP, which must comply with specific requirements established by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality and contractual requirements imposed by our water suppliers. We recommend that customers review the WCDCP to confirm all requirements. A copy of the WCDCP is on the District website.

Topic	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Stage 4
Water Shortage Type	Mild	Moderate	Severe	Critical
Lake Level to Trigger LCRA Stage Change (Acre-feet in Lakes Buchanan & Travis)	Drops below 1.1 million acre-feet	Drops below 900,000 acre-feet or inflow conditions not met	Drops below 750,000 acre-feet	Drops below 600,000 acre-feet
Use Reduction Target	10% Reduction	20% Reduction	25% Reduction	30% Reduction
Designated Watering Days-Irrigation System	Twice per week on designated days.	Once per week schedule. No irrigation from November to February.	Once per week schedule. No irrigation from November to February.	Prohibited.
Designated Watering Hours	From midnight to 10 am and 7 pm to midnight on designated watering days.	Between midnight and 7 am on designated watering days.	Between midnight and 4 am on designated watering days.	Prohibited.
Use of hand-held hoses with shut-off nozzle or faucet-filled buckets or watering cans (5 gallons or less)	No prohibition.	Permitted from 6 AM to 10 AM on any day.	Permitted from 6AM to 10 AM on designated watering day.	Use of 5 gallon container, and watering of trees and vegetable gardens, is permitted from 6 am to 10 am on designated watering day.
New Landscapes	Follow mandatory watering schedule unless a 30-day variance is approved.	Only if no variance necessary. Variances will not be approved.	Only if no variance necessary. Variances will not be approved.	Prohibited.
Foundation Watering	Allowed on designated irrigation days during watering hours.	Allowed on designated irrigation days during watering hours.	Allowed on designated irrigation days during watering hours.	Permitted by hand or soaker hose from 6 am to 10 am on designated days.
Vehicle Washing	Allowed on designated irrigation days during watering hours.	Prohibited.	Prohibited.	Prohibited.
Pools (All new pools require automatic or solar cover when installed)	No prohibition.	Replenishing is permitted. Draining/filling prohibited unless necessary for permitted repairs Filling of all new pools is prohibited unless a variance is granted.	Replenishing is permitted only if pool is covered when not in use. Draining/filling prohibited unless necessary for permitted repairs Filling of all new pools is prohibited unless a variance is granted.	Replenishing allowed only if pool is covered when not in use. Draining and filling is prohibited.
Outdoor Water Features	No prohibition.	Prohibited unless necessary for aquatic life or environmental purposes.	Prohibited unless necessary for aquatic life or environmental purposes.	Prohibited.
Use of water at Outdoor Activities and Events (Carwashes, water slides, parties, other outdoor events, etc.)	Permitted if water being used is put to beneficial use (e.g., watering landscape) or drains into a re-circulating device.	Prohibited.	Prohibited.	Prohibited.
Outdoor Washing (Including pressure washing of driveways, buildings and other impervious surfaces)	Prohibited unless variance granted; Building may be washed to prepare for maintenance work.	Prohibited unless variance granted; Building may be washed to prepare for maintenance work.	Prohibited unless variance granted; Building may be washed to prepare for maintenance work.	Prohibited.