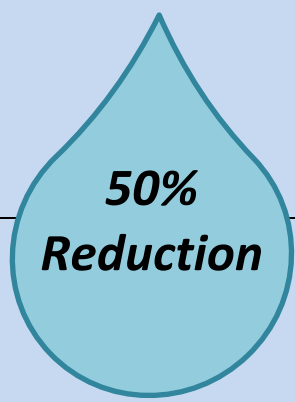


## RESIDENTIAL WATERING RESTRICTIONS FOR SYSTEM USERS

### STAGE 3

The Regional District of Okanagan-Similkameen is advising residents that **Stage 3** watering restrictions are in effect until further notice.

**Stage 3** restrictions are intended to reduce total and peak use by **50%**.

Watering Established Lawns, Shrubs/Flowers	Newly Planted Sod, Trees or Flowering Shrubs	Outdoor Cleaning	Topping Up/ refilling Pools, Hot Tubs, Ponds or Water Features
<u>Manual Sprinklers:</u> <b>Not permitted</b>  <b>No lawn watering</b>  <b>Use of harvested rainwater and recycled water are exempted.</b>	<u>Seeded Lawns or Turf:</u> <b>Not permitted</b>	<u>Driveways, Sidewalks, Patios and Decks:</u> <b>Not permitted</b>  Washing or cleaning with a hose and spring-loaded nozzle as necessary for health & safety reasons only.  <b>No washing for aesthetic purposes.</b>	<b>Prior approval from Authorized Personnel required for all volumes.</b>
<u>Automated Irrigation Systems:</u> <b>Not permitted</b>  <u>Drip Irrigation Systems</u> <b>12:01 AM to 6:00 AM</b> <b>One day per week</b>	<u>Trees and Flowering Shrubs:</u> <b>Not permitted</b>	<b>*Excess water use</b> is defined as applying more water than is required to provide a service, produce a product, or complete a task.	<div>  </div>
<b>Hand watering</b> of flower and vegetable gardens is one day per week (6-10am & 6-10pm).	<b>Stage 3</b> represents very low water supply conditions. Water use restrictions are necessary to maintain supplies during periods of critical water shortage. If triggered by drought, represents severe drought conditions for local area and increased risk of wildfire.		

For More Watering Restriction Stages, visit:  
<https://www.rdos.bc.ca/utilities/water-systems/>

For General Inquiries:  
Utilities Department: 250-490-4135 or  
email: **utilities@rdos.bc.ca**.

**For after-hours** water-related emergencies, contact Regional Dispatch at 250-490-4141.

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