

City of Killeen

Water Conservation Plan

Authority

- Senate Bill 1, passed by the Texas Legislature in 1997, requires all public water suppliers to adopt a drought contingency plan.
- Killeen City Council passed Ordinance 98-46 June 30, 1998 officially adopting the Water Conservation Plan.
- The Water Conservation plan is in effect annually May 1 through September 30.

> Public Education

- Channel 10
- Web Site
- Media
- Bill Stuffers
- > Voluntary Conservation



> Allowed

- Outdoor watering by sprinkler or irrigation system from 7 p.m. to 10 a.m. on any day
- Watering by handheld hose at any time
- Washing vehicles from 7 p.m. to 10 a.m. on designated days
- Watering foundations from 10 p.m. to midnight on designated days
- Commercial and land development watering must contact Public Works for approval

> Prohibited

- Charity car washes
- Operation of ornamental fountains
- Washing streets, sidewalks, parking lots
- Serving water in restaurants unless requested by customer
- Operating irrigation systems with broken heads

Water runoff and ponding over ¼ inch

> All Stage 2 Restrictions and > Allowed

- Watering with hose-end sprinklers, soaker hoses, and drip irrigation from 7 p.m. to 10 a.m. on designated days
- Watering with automatic irrigation systems from 10 p.m. to midnight on designated days

> All Stage 2 Restrictions and
> Prohibited

- Filling, refilling or adding water to swimming pools
- Washing vehicles except at commercial car wash facilities
- No new landscaping

> All Stage 2 & 3 Restrictions and > Allowed

 Handheld hoses may be used for irrigation from 6 a.m. to 10 a.m. and 7 p.m. to 10 p.m.

> Prohibited

 All watering with irrigation systems, hoseend and drip irrigation, and foundation watering

Designated Water Days

Cycle	Last Digit	Days of the
	Of Address	Month
1	0 & 9	5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30
2	1 & 2	1, 6, 11, 16, 21, 26,
3	3 & 4	2, 7, 12, 17, 22, 27
4	5 & 6	3, 8, 13, 18, 23, 28
5	7 & 8	4, 9, 14, 19, 24, 29

In the Kitchen

- Repair leaky faucets, fixtures, and pipes
- Turn water off while washing dishes, brushing teeth or shaving
- Use garbage disposals sparingly-opt instead to compost vegetable scraps and yard clippings
- Scrape dishes-don't rinse before putting them in the dishwasher
- Rinse produce in a pan of water-use remaining water to water plants
- Keep tap water in the refrigerator for drinking

In the Bathroom

- Check toilet leaks by adding food coloring to tank, if color appears in bowl, you have a leak
- Install low-flow shower head
- Take a shower instead of a bath
- Never use toilet to dispose of trash
- Reduce shower time or install cutoff valve

> Outdoors

- Use sprinklers that produce large water droplets not mist
- Set sprinkler system to 1" every 5 days
- Use drip irrigation for flower beds, trees, shrubs
- Condition soil with mulch or compost
- Set lawnmower high-taller grass holds moisture better
- DO NOT water drives, streets, or sidewalks
- Fill a bucket to wash cars use hose for rinsing only

> In the Laundry

- Wash only full loads when possible
- Use lowest water setting for light/partial loads
- Use cold water when possible to save energy

Additional Information

- For questions about the city's Water Conservation Plan, contact Public Works at 501-7620
- For additional information about outdoor water conservation or composting, contact the Killeen Recycling Center at 554-7572 or stop by 111 East Avenue F

> All of this information is available on the city's web site, <u>www.ci.killeen.tx.us</u>