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MANDATORY RESTRICTIONS ON NON-ESSENTIAL WATER USE

The Salisbury Board of Selectmen, acting as the Town's Water Commissioners, announced today that all non-essential outdoor water uses are prohibited **until further notice**.

The restrictions on non-essential outdoor water uses are a condition of the Town's [Water Management Act permit](#), issued by Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection.

A description of non-essential water uses subject to mandatory restrictions as well as permitted uses is described below.

Residents and business owners with questions on these restrictions should contact the Department of Public Works at 978-462-7611 or Pennichuck Water Services at 800-553-5191.

Outdoor Water Use Restrictions, Permitted Uses and Uses Not Subject to Mandatory Restrictions

Non-essential outdoor water uses that are subject to mandatory restrictions include:

- Washing of vehicles, except in a commercial car wash or as necessary for operator safety.
- Washing of exterior building surfaces, parking lots, driveways or sidewalks, except as necessary to apply surface treatments such as paint, preservatives, stucco, pavement or cement.
- Filling of swimming pools.

The following outdoor water uses are permitted during period of restrictions:

- Irrigation of lawns via sprinklers or automatic irrigation systems are based on a Restricted Odd/Even Program (depending on your house number) and only allowed before 9:00AM and after 5:00PM. If your home address is an even # you'll be able to water on even # days; if your address is an odd # you'll be able to water on odd # days.
- Irrigation to establish a new lawn and new plantings.
- Irrigation of public parks and recreational fields by means of automatic sprinklers before 9:00AM and after 5:00PM.
- Irrigation of lawns, gardens, flowers and ornamental plants by means of a handheld hose.

Outdoor water uses NOT subject to mandatory restrictions are those required:

- For health or safety reasons
- By regulation
- For the production of food and fiber
- For the maintenance of livestock
- To meet the core functions of a business (for example; irrigation by golf courses as necessary to maintain tees, greens, and limited fairway watering, or irrigation by plant nurseries as necessary to maintain stock.)