City of Livermore
Drought Conservation Measures
Stage 2 Mandatory Conservation Measures

The Livermore City Council enacted Stage 2 mandatory conservation measures on May 12, 2014, calling for all Livermore Municipal Water and California Water Service Company customers in Livermore to cut outdoor water use in half while continuing to minimize indoor water use. The following are mandatory conservation measures during a Stage 2 shortage.

A. Lawn watering and landscape irrigation, including construction meter irrigation, shall be reduced to no more often than twice per week on an odd-even schedule; properties with odd street address numbers are only allowed to water on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays and properties with even street address numbers are only allowed to water on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays, with no watering is permitted on Sundays. Lawn watering and landscape irrigation is permitted only between the hours of 6:00 p.m. and 9:00 a.m. the following day.

B. Irrigation of golf courses, parks, school grounds, and recreation fields with potable water is permitted only between the hours of 6:00 p.m. and 8:00 a.m. the following day. Tees and greens may be watered at any time.

C. No person shall cause or allow water to run off or leak from landscaped areas to adjoining streets, sidewalks, or other paved areas due to incorrectly directed or maintained sprinklers or excessive watering.

D. Washing of autos, trucks, trailers, boats, airplanes, and other types of mobile equipment may be done at any hour, but no more frequently than once per month with a bucket and a hose equipped with a positive shut-off nozzle for quick rinses. Washing is permitted at a commercial car wash, or by a mobile car wash or on-site car wash using high-pressure washing equipment. No wastewater from vehicle washing may enter the storm drain system.

E. There shall be no hose washing of sidewalks, walkways, driveways, parking areas, patios, porches, or verandas, except that flammable or similarly dangerous materials may be washed from such areas by direct hose flushing for the benefit of public health and safety. A bucket and broom may be used to wash paved surfaces if necessary.

F. The overfilling of swimming pools, spas, ponds, and artificial lakes is prohibited.

G. Swimming pools and spas shall be covered when not in use.

H. Swimming pools, spas, and fountains must be leak-proof. Any leak shall be repaired in a timely manner after notification by the city, but in no case after notification in excess of 72 hours for the first violation and then every 72 hours thereafter for the second and third violations.

I. No potable water may be used for compacting or dust control purposes in construction activities where there is a reasonably available source of recycled or other nonpotable water approved by the California Department of Public Health and appropriate for such use. This condition must be identified and specified on construction drawings submitted to the city for review.

J. Restaurant kitchens shall be equipped with low-flow rinse nozzles.

K. Restaurants shall not serve water to their customers unless specifically requested.

To obtain more information and get questions answered:

a. Visit the City of Livermore Water Resources Division webpage for information on the conservation measures, water conservation, and a link to the California Department of Water Resources' drought webpage. www.cityoflivermore.net/citygov/drought.asp
b. See Livermore Municipal Code Chapter 13.26 Water Conservation and Chapter 13.27 Mandatory Drought Conservation Measures www.codepublishing.com/CA/Livermore.html
c. Call the Drought Hotline at 960-8180.
d. Livermore Municipal Water customers: send an email to wrd_info@cityoflivermore.net or call 960-8100.
e. Cal Water customers: send an email to infoLIV@calwater.com or call 447-4900.