

CONSERVATION MEASURES

Rancho Murieta Community Services District's (District) Board of Directors is committed to providing a high quality, reliable water supply to customers. To achieve this goal, the Board adopted a regulation that incorporates enforced water conservation measures. Water abuse can result in a fine or penalty. A crucial element of this regulation involves customer cooperation in managing water use. Below are recommendations for water conservation.

- Water must not be permitted to run to waste from any tap, hose, faucet, pipe, sprinkler or nozzles.
- The use of water for washing down sidewalks, walkways, driveways, parking lots or buildings, except as necessary for health, sanitary or fire protection purposes, is prohibited.
- All water hoses shall be equipped with a control nozzle capable of completely shutting off the flow of water except when positive pressure to the nozzle is applied.
- All known leaks must be repaired within seven (7) days or less depending on the severity of the leak.

- Irrigation systems that apply water to an impervious surface (example: concrete or asphalt) is prohibited.
- Landscape irrigation during rainfall is prohibited.
- Pool, spa and/or pond draining and refilling between May 1 and October 1, will be allowed only for health, maintenance or structural considerations upon submittal of a written report by a health official or pool consultant and approval provided by the District.
- Outdoor watering from Noon to 8:00 p.m. is not recommended.
- Customers who address ends with an odd number are encouraged to only water on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays. Customers whose address ends with an even number are encouraged to only water on Sundays, Wednesdays and Fridays. No watering on Mondays.
- Landscape irrigation should be limited to three (3) days or less per week.



WATER CONSERVATION

Key tips and Information for Saving Water



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WHY CONSERVE WATER?

It is easy to imagine how life might be if we didn't have fuel for our cars or electricity in our homes, but have you ever imagined life without water? Simply put, life could not exist without water.

Many factors contribute to the reliability of our state's water supply. A growing population, climate changes and industrial contaminants are among the reasons why water is such a limited resource. To ensure long-term availability, we need to change the way we use water. Water conservation plays a key role.

The Rancho Murieta Community Services District is taking an active role in water conservation. The District offers rebate programs, water use evaluations, information about water-efficient landscapes and a host of educational material designed to help you, the customer, stay informed.

By following these water saving tips, you will be conserving water both inside and outside your home.



OUTDOOR

Don't over water. Reduce irrigation cycles by 1 – 3 minutes. Irrigate only on odd or even days, skipping Mondays. Most of us put twice as much water on our lawns than they actually need. *Potential water savings: 15 – 25 gallons per minute.*

The best time to irrigate your landscape is in the early morning hours before sunrise. Watering in the evening may cause fungal growth and watering during the day is wasteful due to evaporation. If you hand water, water before breakfast. If you have an irrigation controller, consider setting it to run half-cycles twice in the morning (2 a.m. to 5 a.m.) to avoid unnecessary runoff. *Potential water savings: 20-25 gallons per day.*

Adjust sprinkler times monthly. Put it on your calendar. It is important to change settings at key times when seasons normally change, which is usually around October and May. *Potential water savings: up to 25 gallons per adjusted cycle.*

Fix leaky and broken sprinkler heads as soon as possible to avoid waste and embarrassing geysers. *Potential water savings: 20 gallons per day per leak, 10 gallons per minute per broken head.*

Replace spray head nozzles with new rotator nozzles. *Potential water savings: 1,200 gallons per year per nozzle.*

INDOOR

Don't let the water run needlessly when washing dishes, shaving or brushing your teeth. *Potential water savings: 240 gallons a month.*

Plug the bathtub before turning the water on and then adjust the temperature as the tub fills up.

Fix leaky faucets: just one drip a second can waste 2,000 gallons of water per year. *Potential water savings: 20-50 gallons a day per fixture.*

Run only full loads in the dishwasher and washing machines. *Potential water savings: 300-800 gallons a month.*

Use the garbage disposal minimally and compost instead.

When hand washing dishes, fill sink, don't leave water running. *Potential water savings: 2.5 gallons per minute.*

Replace old showerhead with one that uses 2.5 gallons per minute. *Potential water savings: 1,000s of gallons a month.*

Keep showers to less than 10 minutes. *Potential water savings: 700 gallons a month.*

