

**Water Use By-law 116-06, As Amended**

To help control costs to the water users, many municipalities implement outdoor water use by-laws to coordinate when water is used for lawn and garden watering. By implementing a by-law that coordinates lawn watering of municipal addresses on an odd – even calendar day basis, only half those that wish to water their lawns are doing so at any given time; thus the extra capacity required for lawn watering is only half as large as it would need to be if the lawn watering was not coordinated. This helps to control costs.

Even-numbered municipal addresses are permitted to water from a hose or sprinkler system on even-numbered calendar days. Odd-numbered municipal addresses are permitted to water from a hose or sprinkler system on odd-numbered calendar days. On these days watering is permitted between the hours of 7:00am to 9:00am and 7:00pm to 9:00pm.

The By-law is in effect during the entire year.	Municipal Address Ending in:	Associated Watering Day	Between the hours of 7 a.m. to 9 a.m. and 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.
	0, 2, 4, 6, & 8	Even Numbered Calendar Days	
	1, 3, 5, 7, & 9	Odd Numbered Calendar Days	

Vegetable and flower gardens may be watered by hand using a watering can on any day at any time. There are some exceptions for new plantings, and/or pesticide, herbicide, or fertilizer treatments which require watering. For further information visit our website at [www.brant.ca](http://www.brant.ca) or contact the Public Works Department - Water Division.

Further conservation may be required in times of drought or a water supply emergency. If this occurs details will be communicated through the newspapers, radio, and our website at [www.brant.ca](http://www.brant.ca).

**Water Conservation Tips: To Help Conserve water.....**

- Use a rain barrel to collect rainwater for your garden. Be sure your barrel is equipped with a mesh screen to prevent mosquitoes from breeding.
- Weed regularly. Weeds compete with your plantings for moisture.
- Compost. It adds organic content to the garden and allows the soil to retain more moisture.
- Place mulch and bark around the base of shrubs and trees.
- Use a mulching blade on your lawnmower.
- Do not overwater your lawn! A healthy lawn requires only one inch per week to stay healthy. Use a rain gauge (an empty tuna can is also the right depth) to measure the amount of rainfall and then water accordingly.
- Wash your car with a sponge and bucket.
- Sweep driveways and patios instead of using the hose.
- Repair leaky faucets and always turn off your taps tightly so they don't drip.
- Repair leaky toilets. You can check the tank for leaks by adding a few drops of food colouring to the water tank and observing whether it spreads to the bowl without flushing.

**Any Questions?**

If you have any questions regarding the municipal water and wastewater systems (meter maintenance, service connections, watermain locates, water quality, rates, by-laws, etc.) contact the Public Works Department which is located at 26 Park Avenue, Burford.



We can be contacted by telephone at 519-449-2451, toll free at 1-888-250-2295, via email at [publicworks@brant.ca](mailto:publicworks@brant.ca), or through the internet at [www.brant.ca](http://www.brant.ca).