

Water Conservation

In an effort to preserve the municipal water supply, The County of Brant Drinking Water By-law (116-06) only permits outdoor water use using a hose every other day between the hours of 7:00 am to 9:00 am and 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm year-round.

Outdoor water use days are determined by the last number of a property's municipal address (residential and commercial):



Municipal address ending in:	Outdoor water use day:
0, 2, 4, 6, 8	Even numbered calendar days
1, 3, 5, 7, 9	Odd numbered calendar days

Outside of the times and days described above, outdoor water use is permitted for:

- ✓ Newly installed grass, trees, shrubs, and gardens, for a period of 24 hours after planting;
- ✓ Lawn treatments requiring water during and 24 hours post-application;
- ✓ Watering cans may be used any day, at any time, for trees, shrubs, vegetables, and flower gardens.

In times of drought or water emergency, stricter conservation measures may be necessary. These will be communicated via the County's website at brant.ca, our social media channels, local newspapers, letters, radio and if necessary a Media Release.



	General outdoor use	Automated irrigation only
 ODD Numbered Addresses	7 am to 9 am OR 7 pm to 9 pm	 2 to 5 am
EVEN Numbered Addresses	7 am to 9 am OR 7 pm to 9 pm	 2 to 5 am

Water Tip! Do not over water your lawn.

Lawns need about 1 inch of water per week. Measure rainfall with a rain gauge and supplement as needed—an empty tuna can is the perfect depth gauge. To learn more, visit brant.ca/Water



Outdoor Water Conservation Do's and Don'ts

DO

- ✓ Set timers on automatic irrigation systems to only run during approved times and dates.
- ✓ Use a rain barrel to collect rainwater for watering gardens. Be sure the barrel is equipped with a mesh screen to prevent mosquitoes from breeding.
- ✓ Weed regularly. Weeds compete with plants for moisture.
- ✓ Place mulch and bark around the base of trees, shrubs and gardens to help retain moisture.
- ✓ Use a commercial car wash. This also helps keep soap and chemicals out of our rivers and uses less water.
- ✓ Plant drought tolerant plants.

DON'T

- ✗ Do not water lawns and gardens with a hose outside of permitted times.
- ✗ Do not fill pools, ponds, and or fountains outside of permitted times.
- ✗ Do not use a hose without a shut off nozzle.
- ✗ Do not use a hose to wash your driveway, patios, decks or other paved surfaces.
- ✗ Do not run sprinklers or irrigation systems while it's raining.
- ✗ Do not let sprinklers run onto driveways, sidewalks or roads when watering lawns and or gardens.

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For additional information, visit brant.ca/Water or contact the Environmental Services Division at **519.44BRANT** (2.7268), toll free at 1.855.44BRANT, or email operations@brant.ca