

SHIPS POINT IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

Water Conservation Regulation Bylaw 124

A bylaw for establishing sprinkling regulations and the efficient use of water through conservation practices to minimize shortage risk.

The Trustees of Ships Point Improvement District enact as follows:

1. In this bylaw, unless the context otherwise requires:

“Appliance” means a device or mechanism through which Water is piped or used for a domestic or commercial purpose;

“Bylaw Enforcement Officer” means a person appointed or contracted by the trustees to enforce this bylaw;

“District” means the Ships Point Improvement District;

“Micro-irrigation or Drip-irrigation System” means a system using irrigation components which consume less than 76 litres per hour and operate at less than 25 psi to deliver Water to the root zone of the plant material being irrigated, and includes spray emitter systems (Micro-Sprays), point source emitters and linear tape systems but does not include weeper or soaker hoses;

“Over-Watering” means to Water in a manner that saturates the lawn, boulevard or landscaped area being watered and results in Water spreading onto areas beyond them;

“Restricted Hours” means those time periods during which watering is permitted in Schedule A of this bylaw;

“Sprinkler” means a connected hose or other sprinkler system but excludes a Micro-irrigation or drip-irrigation system;

“Stage” means the Stages 1, 2, 3 and 4 of Water Use Restrictions prescribed in Schedule A of this Bylaw;

“Trustees” means the Trustees of the District or their duly authorized representatives;

“Water” means water conveyed through the works operated or maintained by the District;

“Water Use Restrictions” means the restrictions prescribed in Schedule A of this bylaw; and

“Watering Days” means those days during which Watering is permitted in Schedule A of this bylaw.

Prohibitions

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 - a. The prohibitions in subsections 2(b) and 2(c) are in force at all times of the year.
 - b. No person shall damage or allow the deterioration of any Appliance so as to result in a waste of Water.
 - c. No person shall waste Water by using more Water than is required to provide a service, produce a product or complete a task, including but not limited to
 - (i) allowing a tap or hose to run Water unnecessarily, and
 - (ii) the Over-Watering of plants or lawns.
 - d. No person shall use Water or cause Water to be used contrary to the provisions of this bylaw in effect at the time of use.

Inspection

3. A Bylaw Enforcement Officer has the authority to enter at all reasonable times on any property that is subject to this bylaw to ascertain whether the requirements of this bylaw are being met or the regulations in this bylaw are being observed.

Water Use Restrictions and Effective Date of Stages

4. Stages and water use restrictions are as detailed in Schedule A; the effective date of Stages are as detailed in Schedule B.

Notice

5. The Trustees must give notice or cause notice to be given to persons within the District of the applicable Stage determined under Section 4 and its effective date of commencement.
6. The Notice under this section will be posted on the District Welcome Sign, website, bulletin boards throughout the District and in the Fanny Bay Flyer.

Water Use Restrictions

8. The Water Use Restrictions for each Stage are prescribed in Schedule A to this bylaw and must be obeyed during the period that the applicable Stage is in effect under this bylaw.

Exemptions and Special Cases

9. Exemptions and special cases to the regulations in this bylaw may be granted as detailed in Schedule A or at the discretion of the District Board of Trustees.

Schedules

10. Schedules A and B of this bylaw form part of and are enforceable in the same manner as this bylaw.

Penalties

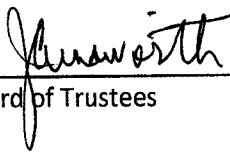
11. The Trustees may, on twenty-four (24) hours written notice, turn off the supply of water to any person in default of the requirements of this bylaw. The person in default will not be entitled to receive any further water from the District until such person has remedied the default. It will be unlawful for any person whose water has been turned off, pursuant to this section, to turn such water on again, or take any water from the District's works until such time as the Trustees or their duly authorized representatives again turn on the water. There will be a fee each time the water is turned off and a fee each time the water is turned on as detailed in the water tolls bylaw in effect at that time.
12. A person who commits an offence under this bylaw is liable on summary conviction to a penalty in accordance with the *Offence Act*.

Citation

14. This bylaw may be cited as the "Water Conservation Regulation Bylaw No. 124".

Introduced and given first reading and second reading by the Trustees on the 10th day of April, 2024.

Reconsidered and finally passed by the Trustees on the 10th day of April, 2024.

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J. Ainsworth, Chair, Board of Trustees

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W. Trussler, Chair, Water Technical Committee

Schedule A
Water Use Restrictions

	STAGE ONE	STAGE TWO	STAGE THREE	STAGE FOUR
Watering Lawns And Trees				
Watering Lawns And Gardens Within 3 Meters Of A Structure (For Fire Safety)				
Sprinkler				
Hand Watering and Micro or Drip Irrigation				
Vehicle, Boat And House Washing				
Filling Hot Tubs, Ponds, Fountains and Reservoirs				
Pressure Washing Walkways, Driveways And Siding				
Pressure Washing For Paint Preparation				
Fire Protection				

- Vegetable gardens, fruit trees and newly planted lawns are exempt from all restrictions, even Stage 4
- Hand watering (including washing vehicles, boats and house siding) should be done using a hand-held container or a hose equipped with a shutoff device

Schedule B

Water Stages - Measurement Ships Point Improvement District

The Ships Point Improvement District (SPID) Water Operator, based on well data recorded on a daily basis, will determine the volume (i.e. user consumption amount) and report to the board the appropriate water conservation stage based on the following matrix:

	< 2500 M ³ /week or at water operator's discretion
	>2500 M ³ /week or at water operator's discretion
Stage 3	>5000 M ³ /week or at water operator's discretion
Stage 4	to be determined by the Board of Trustees

NOTE 1: The SPID Board of Trustees may, at its discretion, override the above matrix and determine the water conservation stage based on water stages in effective provincially and/or in neighbouring jurisdictions.

NOTE 2: The SPID Board of Trustees will review and confirm the water conservation stage at its monthly meeting for the period from May-September each year.