

## PIERS ISLAND IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT -WATER

**Stage 1 Watering Schedule of the Water Conservation Bylaw is in effect May 1 through September 30, each and every year, unless more stringent water conservation measures are required.**

### Water Conservation Bylaw

The CRD Water Conservation Bylaw applies to any customers of the regional water supply system receiving drinking water from the Sooke Lake Reservoir in the Greater Victoria area including residential, commercial, institutional, and municipal properties.

Even Addresses	Odd Addresses
Lawn watering allowed <b>Wednesdays &amp; Saturdays</b> 4 – 10am and 7 – 10pm	Lawn watering allowed <b>Thursdays &amp; Sundays</b> 4 – 10am and 7 – 10pm

**Established trees, shrubs, flowers and vegetable gardens** may be watered by a hand-held hose with a shut-off device or hand held container, or micro/drip irrigation system, on any day at any time.

**Established trees, shrubs, flowers and vegetable gardens** may be watered with a sprinkler on any day, but only during the designated watering times 4 - 10am and 7 - 10pm.

### What can you do to make every drop count?

- Go golden. Lawns naturally go dormant in the summer months and return with fall rains.
- Green lawns only need one inch (2.5 cm) of water per week, including rainfall during the hottest, driest weeks of the year.
- Use cycle and soak watering with three short bursts of water to allow it to seep into the soil, reducing runoff and water waste.
- Garden with drought tolerant native plants
- Water trees, shrubs, flowers and vegetable gardens at the root and use mulch to hold in moisture - water with a container or hose with a shut-off nozzle.
- Avoid washing vehicles or boats unnecessarily, unless for safety reasons (windows and headlights).
- Sweep outdoor surfaces such as driveways or decks with a broom instead of using a hose or power washing.

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