### **GO FOR GOLD CONTEST**

Join the city-wide competition to see who can conserve the most water by letting their lawn go gold (dormant), but still kept and mowed! Between May 1 - October 15, submit a photo of your lawn to our Engineering Department to be entered for a chance to win prizes.

#### **DID YOU KNOW?**

- Lawn watering takes up about 30% of Chilliwack's summer water use.
- Most lawns only require 2.5 cm (1 inch) of water a week.
- Leaky taps can waste as much as 300 L of water a week.
- If you install new sod or seed during water restrictions, you need to apply for a water exemption certificate.

# WATER CONSERVATION IN CHILLIWACK

## GOLDEN LAWN FIRE SAFETY

When you let your lawn go gold to conserve water this summer, make sure it is still kept and mowed. Conserving water, especially during hot, dry weather, ensures our reservoirs are full when the Fire Department needs them.

chilliwack.com/water





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### **CONSERVATION STRATEGIES**

### **Rain Barrel Rebate Program**

The City offers a limited number of rebates on the purchase of a new rain barrel. Eligible homeowners can receive up to 50% of the cost, up to \$80 (conditions apply).

## OUR WATER CONSERVATION PROGRAM

The City of Chilliwack's water conservation plan is designed to ensure there is enough water for non-discretionary uses (like drinking, showering, toilet flushing, and laundry) during the summer months when we are more prone to drought conditions.

Each year from May 1 – October 15, Chilliwack automatically enters stage 1 water restrictions to conserve water

early. This helps keep the level of the Sardis-Vedder Aquifer high. It also reduces the risk of having to move to the next conservation stage later in the summer.



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### STAGES OF WATER CONSERVATION

There are four stages to the City of Chilliwack's water conservation plan.

STAGE 1

MAY 1 - OCTOBER 15 (ANNUALLY)

STAGE 2

**PRECAUTIONARY** 

**STAGE 3** 

DRY

**STAGE 4** 

**VERY DRY** 

Stages can be changed at anytime, and in any order. Stay informed on what stage the City is in by visiting chilliwack.com/water or contacting the Engineering Department at waterconservation@chilliwack.com or 604.793.2907.

#### **Toilet Rebate Program**

The City offers \$50 rebates for toilets that are replaced with an ultra low flush model (conditions apply).

#### **Outdoor Water Conservation Kits**

Purchase an outdoor water conservation kit for \$20. The kit includes a garden hose nozzle to regulate water flow and a garden hose timer to prevent overwatering. Kits are available while supplies last from City Hall.

### STAGE 1 WATERING RESTRICTIONS

Annual stage 1 watering restrictions are in place May 1- October 15. Lawn watering is permitted only twice per week, either mornings (5-8 am) OR evenings (7-10 pm), on designated days of the week:



### **EVEN NUMBERED ADDRESSES**

Wednesdays & Saturdays

### **ODD NUMBERED ADDRESSES**

Thursdays & Sundays

#### **GARDENS**

As needed (using handheld spring-loaded hose)