

## City of Buda Stage II Drought Restrictions

Water is a precious resource in Buda. Throughout our region, it provides tourism, recreation, habitat for endangered species, and drinking water for a rapidly growing population. Unfortunately, it is also a limited resource, especially during times of drought which are common in central Texas. Wise use of our water resource is critical to the economic health and vitality of our city. Conserving water provides financial benefits as well as it reduces customer utility bills and assists the City in keeping utility rates as low as possible. It is necessary for each of us to do our part to conserve water, and by doing so ensure adequate water supplies both now and in the future. The following table outlines the restrictions for Stage II. Water conservation information can be found at <https://www.budatx.gov/232/Water-Conservation>. Code Ordinance Section 24.06

Stage II Restrictions	
<b>Waste of Water</b>	Prohibited at all times
<b>Irrigation with hose-end and automatic sprinkler systems</b>	Once per week on designated day; prohibited between the hours of 11:00 am and 7:00pm <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Odd-numbered residential: Wednesday</li> <li>• Even-numbered residential: Thursday</li> <li>• Commercial, mixed use and multi-family: Tuesday</li> <li>• School and City athletic fields: Tuesday and Friday</li> </ul>
<b>Irrigation with handheld bucket, handheld hose, soaker hose, or drip irrigation system</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Restricted to the outdoor watering Stage 1 twice-per-week schedule.</li> <li>• Prohibited between 11:00am and 7:00pm</li> </ul>
<b>Irrigation of vegetable gardens</b>	Allowed using a handheld bucket, handheld hose, soaker hose or drip irrigation system on any day but prohibited between the hours of 11:00am and 7:00pm.
<b>Irrigation to protect trees</b>	Allowed using a soaker hose, automatic bubbler, tree watering bag, or similar device placed within the tree's dripline on any day but prohibited between the hours of 11:00am and 7:00pm.
<b>Commercial Nurseries</b>	Subject to the time restrictions when using automated irrigation systems but may operate any day. Use of handheld bucket, handheld hose with positive shutoff device, soaker hose, and/or drip irrigation systems are permitted at any time on any day
<b>Foundation Watering</b>	Any day and at any time. However, saturation to the point it causes pooling in the yard or runoff is prohibited
<b>Swimming Pools</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Filling of new swimming pools using municipal water is prohibited</li> <li>• Makeup water for existing swimming pools is allowed</li> <li>• Pool surfaces shall be covered at least 50 percent when not in use</li> </ul>
<b>Aesthetic water features</b>	Non-Recirculating prohibited at all times
<b>Washing of impervious surfaces</b>	Prohibited, unless required for health and safety
<b>Vehicle Washing</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Noncommercial vehicle washing is allowed at any time but must comply with the twice-per-week outdoor watering schedule using a handheld bucket or a handheld hose equipped with a positive shutoff device</li> <li>• Commercial vehicle washing is allowed on any day and at any time</li> <li>• Charity carwashes are prohibited unless held at and using a commercial carwash facility to wash vehicles</li> </ul>
<b>Other Nonessential water uses</b>	Allowed, but all reasonable measures shall be taken to limit the use.
<b>Construction Water</b>	Construction Water used for non-potable needs, such as dust suppression, shall utilize alternative sources of water such as rainwater, graywater, and reclaimed water to the maximum extent available. The City Manager may cap withdrawals from construction meters connected to the City water system.