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## **Stage 4 Watering Restriction for Whiskey Creek Water Service Area**

The Whiskey Creek Water Service Area has moved to Stage 4 Watering Restrictions effective today, July 27, 2021. Ongoing drought conditions on east Vancouver Island have contributed to low flow levels in Crocker Creek, which supplies this service area. Hot, dry weather forecasts are expected to continue. A comprehensive ban on outdoor watering is now required to ensure that the community's essential water needs are met for drinking water and hygiene.




A map and description of the watering restriction details for each of the RDN's water service areas can be found on the RDN webpage at [rdn.bc.ca/watering-restriction-map](https://rdn.bc.ca/watering-restriction-map). The Decourcey and Englishman River Water Service Areas also remain under Stage 4 watering restrictions.

Stage 4 Watering Restrictions include a comprehensive ban on all lawn watering activities. In addition, residents are not permitted to wash vehicles, boats or siding, nor fill fountains, pools or hot tubs. Private wells are not subject to municipal watering restrictions, but conservation is encouraged as water is a shared resource. Hand watering must be done using a hand-held container or a hose equipped with a shutoff device. Vegetable gardens and fruit trees are exempt from all watering restrictions, even Stage 4.










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WATERING RESTRICTION STAGE		1	2	3	4
Frequency		Any Day	Every Other Day: Even# Houses – Even# Days Odd# Houses – Odd# Days	 Voluntary Reductions on top of Stage 2 	SPRINKLING BAN: Lawn Watering NOT PERMITTED
Watering Times		Between 7pm and 7am	Between 7-10am or 7-10pm for 2 hrs MAX		
Hand-watering, drip irrigation, micro irrigation		ANYTIME	ANYTIME		Between 7-10am or 7-10pm
Washing vehicles, boats, houses (siding)		ANYTIME	ANYTIME		NOT PERMITTED
Filling fountains, pools, hot tubs		ANYTIME	ANYTIME		NOT PERMITTED
New lawn permits		Can apply for a permit	Can apply for a permit		NO PERMITS ISSUED
Pressure washing walkways, driveways, siding		ANYTIME	ANYTIME		ONLY prior to application of paint, preservative, stucco, or sealant

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