

## Water Conservation By-Law 2004-28

### Restricting Outside Water Use

Township Council passed a Water Conservation By-Law on June 1, 2004 restricting outside water use during the months of June, July and August. This By-law applies to residents who receive Municipal water from either the Creighton Heights Water Supply System or the Camborne Water Supply System.

Township residents supplied with water will now have an option of **watering from 7:00 A.M. to 9:00 A.M. and 7:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M. on alternate days**. Residents with Municipal addresses having odd numbers may water within the designated times only on odd-numbered calendar days and residents with Municipal addresses having even numbers, may water within the designated times only on even-numbered calendar days.

**As an alternate, instead of normal watering times, (7:00 A.M. to 9:00 A.M. and 7:00 P.M. to 9:00 P.M.),** residents supplied will have an option of **watering from 3:00 A.M. to 7:00 A.M. instead of the normal watering times**. Residents who choose to water between 3:00 A.M. to 7:00 A.M. are not permitted to water between 7:00 A.M. and 9:00 A.M. and 7:00 P.M. and 9:00 P.M. Residents unable to meet the watering time restrictions in the By-law may apply for a special watering permit at no charge. These requests will be considered on a case-by-case basis.

Conditions in the By-law are summarized as follows:

- **Excessive puddling, runoff or overspray of irrigation water** to paved surfaces is **prohibited** as it is considered wasting of water.
- Excessive **washing of driveways** is **prohibited** as it is considered wasting of water.
- Use of **hand-held watering vessels** is now **exempt** from the requirements of this By-law.
- Watering of **planter pots, patio planters, hanging planters and the like**, are now **exempt** from the requirements of the By-law.
- A 30-day exemption from watering restrictions applies for newly seeded or sodded lawns and planted gardens effective from the date of planting. It is advised that residents keep any applicable receipts during the exemption period.
- A 24-hour exemption from watering restrictions still applies following the application of fertilizer, herbicide or pesticide.
- Washing of vehicles in a residential zone is allowed at any time except during a watering ban provided the hose is equipped with a shut-off spray nozzle at the end of the hose or a bucket of water is used with a sponge/rag.
- Use of water for recreation such as sprinkler pads and swimming pools is not restricted under the By-law except when a watering ban is in effect.
- If you require a special lawn watering permit, you can register for a permit by contacting the Township Office at (905) 342-2810. A copy of the By-law can be picked up at the Township Office.

#### **DON'T FORGET! For this coming season**

**REMEMBER**, when setting times for AUTOMATED IRRIGATION SYSTEMS, have your lawn sprinklers timed to come on only during the dates and times specified in the Water Conservation By-law, effective in June, July and August.

**REMEMBER**, those choosing to water from 3:00 A.M. to 7:00 A.M. shall not water at any other time. Watering must still be on the odd or even calendar days depending on your address.

**REMEMBER**, any person in contravention of By-law 2004-28 is subject to a penalty for each day in contravention.