



Water Conservation – Every Drop Counts

The City of Norwalk is dedicated to preserving one of California's most important resources – Water. In response to the State's water crisis, the Norwalk City Council passed Resolution No. 08-45 last year, requesting and encouraging water conservation practices by all water users within the City of Norwalk.

Due to the continuation of the drought conditions, at its June 2nd meeting, the City Council adopted Ordinance No. 09-1619, mandating water conservation practices throughout the City. This ordinance became effective July 2, 2009. Failure to comply with the provisions outlined in this ordinance will result in notices of violations and penalty fees of \$100 per violation for the first citation, \$200 per violation for the second citation, and \$500 per violation for the third or subsequent citations.

Please note that the following activities are now **prohibited** given the current State water shortage:

- a. Use of a hose to wash walkways, driveways, parking areas, and other hard surfaces;
- b. Cleaning, filling, or refilling non-recirculating decorative fountains;
- c. Washing vehicles, unless a bucket or a hose equipped with an automatic shut-off nozzle is used;
- d. Serving water to restaurant customers unless expressly requested;
- e. Watering lawns and landscape areas between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m.; and
- f. Allowing leaks to continue without repair.

The City also urges water users to consider the installation of water efficient plumbing fixtures, the use of drought-tolerant landscaping, grouping plants with similar water needs together and watering your lawns only twice a week.

Putting water conservation practices into your day-to-day activities will not only save water, but also save you money. Please remember "Every Drop Counts!"

If you observe and wish to report water-wasting activities, please contact the City's Public Safety Department at (562) 929-5742 or Property Maintenance Division at (562) 929-5730.



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