



## **North Marin Water District**

### ***Water Use Prohibitions for 2020/2021*** (West Marin Service Area)

On May 5, 2020 the NMWD Board of Directors held a public hearing and adopted Ordinance No. 39 enacting water use prohibitions on water waste and non-essential use in the West Marin Service Area. Ordinance 39 was amended by the Board of Directors at subsequent public hearing on March 16, 2021.

All current water use prohibitions are summarized below.

#### **Water Waste and Non-Essential Use Prohibitions Effective July 1, 2020:**

- Permitting water to escape down a gutter, ditch or other surface drain.
- Failure to repair a controllable leak of water within a reasonable time.
- Using water for non-recycling decorative fountains or single-pass cooling systems.
- Washing down exterior paved areas.
- Washing cars, boats, trailers or other vehicles and machinery directly with a hose not equipped with a shutoff nozzle
- Potable water on ornamental turf in public street medians
- Drinking water other than on request in eating or dining establishments
- Water for the daily laundering of towels and linens in hotels and motels without offering guests the option of choosing not to have daily laundering.
- Refilling a swimming pool drained after May 5, 2020 or initial filling of a swimming pool for which an application for a building permit was made after May 5, 2020.
- Washing privately-owned motor vehicles, trailers and boats except from a bucket and hose equipped with an automatic shut-off nozzle for a quick rinse.
- Watering of any lawn, garden, landscape area. Overhead sprinkler irrigation can be used if the customer maintains an overall 25% reduction in water use when compared to the same billing period in 2013 or if the landscape is irrigated with drip or by hand with a container or hose with automatic shut off nozzle.
- Landscape watering beyond the hours of 7:00 PM and 9:00 AM of the next day and more than 3 days per week or within 48 hours of measurable rainfall.
- Use of water for dust control at construction sites.
- Non-residential use in excess of 25% less than the amount used by the customer during the corresponding billing period in 2013.

#### **Violation Procedure**

- 1) Customers found to be in violation will receive a written or verbal warning describing the violation and order that it be corrected, cured and abated immediately or within such specified time that is determined to be reasonable. If said order is not complied with, service may be disconnected.
- 2) If customer's water service is disconnected for said violation, a reconnection fee of \$35 (\$60 for after-hours) shall be paid.
- 3) If the violation is not corrected after the first disconnection of water service and reconnection fee has been paid, the water service may be disconnected again with a reconnection fee of \$35 (\$60 for after-hours).

**Variance Procedure**

Applications for variance for any non-essential use prohibitions may be made to the General Manager. The General Manager may grant a variance if reasonably necessary.

**Questions or Comments**

All customer questions and comments regarding the water use prohibitions for 2020 should be referred to the Water Conservation Hotline at (415) 761-8944 or email at [waterconserve@nmwd.com](mailto:waterconserve@nmwd.com).