

Abbotsford and Mission's water restrictions follow four stages, which are tied to the level of Dickson Lake.

Dickson Lake is the main source of drinking water for both communities. As the level of our lake gets lower our restrictions get higher!

This summer, get to know the stages and conserve and reserve!

Check [www.ourwatermatters.ca](http://www.ourwatermatters.ca) to find out what stage we're at.



## know the stages

**STAGE ONE**  
Restrictions  
begin May 1!

### STAGE ONE

Lawn sprinkling is permitted **TWICE** a week, mornings only, 6 - 8 am.

- Even addresses: Wed & Sat.
- Odd addresses: Thurs & Sun.
- Gardens as needed.

### STAGE TWO

Lawn sprinkling is permitted **ONCE** a week, mornings only, 6 - 8 am.

- Even addresses: Saturday.
- Odd addresses: Sunday.
- Gardens as needed.

### STAGE THREE

Lawn sprinkling is **NOT** permitted.

- Gardens as needed, by hand or with a soaker hose, no sprinklers.
- Pavement, car and boat washing is **NOT** permitted.

### STAGE FOUR

Lawn sprinkling and all other outdoor water use is **NOT** permitted.

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# Be Waterwise this Summer!

## General tips to conserve and reserve!

- All hoses must be equipped with a spring-loaded shut off device.
- Watering of flowers, trees, shrubs and vegetables may be carried out using a handheld wand, a hose with a spring-loaded shut off device, or a sprinkler at any time in Stage 1 and 2.
- Remember to check online at **[www.ourwatermatters.ca](http://www.ourwatermatters.ca)** to see what Stage is in effect. **Water Restrictions begin May 1 and end September 30 each year.**
- Use a rain barrel to collect rainwater to water plants and gardens through the summer. Rain barrels are available through the City of Abbotsford and District of Mission Engineering Department.
- Choose waterwise plants like drought-tolerant turf grasses.
- Remember that healthy lawns only need 1 inch of water a week.
- Mow high (leave grass at least 3 inches in height) and leave grass clippings.
- Sign up for a free landscape and irrigation water wise workshop at **[www.ourwatermatters.ca](http://www.ourwatermatters.ca)**.
- Apply for an irrigation or landscape rebate. For more information go to **[www.ourwatermatters.ca](http://www.ourwatermatters.ca)**.

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