



Town of Wallkill Voluntary Water Restriction Recommendations

Indoor Water Conservation Tips

Bathroom

- Avoid flushing the toilet unnecessarily. Dispose of tissues, insects, and other similar waste in the trash rather than the toilet.
- Avoid taking baths—take short showers—turn on water only to get wet and lather and then again to rinse off.
- Avoid letting the water run while brushing your teeth, washing your face or shaving.

Kitchen

- Operate automatic dishwashers only when they are fully loaded. Use the "light wash" feature, if available, to use less water.
- Hand wash dishes by filling two containers—one with soapy water and the other with rinse water containing a small amount of chlorine bleach.
- Clean vegetables in a pan filled with water rather than running water from the tap.
- Store drinking water in the refrigerator. Do not let the tap run while you are waiting for water to cool.
- Avoid wasting water waiting for it to get hot. Capture it for other uses such as plant watering or heat it on the stove or in a microwave.
- Avoid rinsing dishes before placing them in the dishwasher; just remove large particles of food. (Most dishwashers can clean soiled dishes very well, so dishes do not have to be rinsed before washing)

Laundry

- Operate automatic clothes washers only when they are fully loaded or set the water level for the size of your load.

Commercial Manufacturing, Retail, Medical and Food Establishments

- We are asking all Commercial Food Establishments and Restaurants to only serve Water upon Request.
- All Commercial Facilities please educate your Staff and Corporate Offices on proper Water Conservation Techniques.

Outdoor Water Conservation Tips While in a Drought

Car Washing

- Use a commercial car wash that recycles water.
- Use a broom or blower instead of a hose to clean leaves and other debris from your driveway or sidewalk.
- A garden hose can pour out 600 gallons or more in only a few hours.
- Report any unknown occurrences of Standing and or Running Water in areas where it is not traditionally found to 845-342-1668.
- Avoid Cutting Lawns for the rest of the year.
- All use of Commercial or Residential Lawn or Landscape Sprinkling is Restricted.

Emergency Services Water Restriction Recommendations

- Use of Water for Firefighting Drills and Training shall be restricted.
- Unnecessary opening of Hydrants during Automatic Alarm and Non-Life threatening Emergencies shall be restricted.
- Inspect all Dry Hydrant Locations in and around your Protection District to verify their viability and maintain an updated listing of viable vs. non-viable sources.

Residential Private Well Concerns and Recommendations

- After washing laundry or excessive water use of any type, check your Water Pressure Tank to make sure that it is not calling for water for an extended period of Time, (Greater than one minute).