



## QUESTIONS?

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301 S. 10th Street  
8:30am-4:30pm M-F

**WATER WATCH**  
FACTS + INFORMATION



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During the recent and forecasted hot and dry weather, the City has experienced high water demands. As a result, the City of Adel is implementing a Water Watch which is the first stage of conservation under the recently approved Water Conservation Plan. To view the entire Water Conservation Plan, please visit <https://adeliowa.org/>

The following information sheet has been prepared to answer some questions you may have about the Water Conservation Plan and Water Watch.

## WHAT IS IT?

Under the Water Watch, all customers of the municipal water service are encouraged to limit or curtail all non-essential uses of water in order to conserve water during the time of shortage.

## LAWN IRRIGATION, WHAT SHOULD I DO?

As part of the water watch, all customers are encouraged to limit or curtail lawn watering as follows:

- *Avoid lawn watering during the hottest part of the day. When you water your lawn during daytime hours, the majority of water is lost to evaporation. Limit watering to the hours of 8:00 pm through 8:00 am.*

- *Alternate days of lawn watering based upon your address. It is encouraged that you irrigate under a system where even numbered addresses water only on even days of the month, and odd numbered addresses water only on odd numbered days of the month. For example, if your house number is 802, it is encouraged that you water on the 2nd, 4th, 6th day of the month, and so on.*

## ARE THERE OTHER WATER USES WHICH SHOULD BE LIMITED?

Yes. It is encouraged to limit the filling of private pools, washing of surfaces (streets, parking lots, driveways, buildings, etc.), and washing of cars except at commercial establishments.

## WHAT DOES THIS MEAN?

The enactment of a Water Watch within the Water Conservation Plan is a voluntary reduction of water. If successful, there would not be any further voluntary or involuntary restrictions upon the use of water. It is hoped that this step will be short term in duration if the weather cooperates.

## WHAT IF WE JUST APPLIED SOD TO OUR YARD?

You should water every other day for a few hours as identified previously until the new grass is established and has taken root. This is when you can no longer pull up loose sod. Any excess water puddling or flowing down the curb/street is a sign of over-watering.

## WHAT IF WE DON'T COMPLY AS REQUESTED? WILL WE GET A TICKET OR BE PENALIZED?

As a Water Watch is a request for voluntary reduction of water, there is no penalty for non-compliance. However, if there is continued hot and dry weather, it is possible that non-voluntary water conservation measures identified in the Water Warning and Water Emergency portions of the Water Conservation Plan may be necessary.

## WHOM SHOULD I CONTACT WITH QUESTIONS?

If you have questions or concerns you are asked to contact the City of Adel at 515-993-4525. We are also available from 8:30 – 4:30 M-F at Adel City Hall located at 301 S. 10th Street to answer questions. You may also read the entire Water Conservation Plan on the City of Adel website at the following link <https://adeliowa.org/>