

Table 5.2. Water Usage for GEID Drought Stages

Activity or			Drought Stage		
purpose	Normal	1	2	3	4
Objective	Efficient use of water	Water demand to be 10% below historic average.	Water demand to be 20% below historic average.	Water demand to be 35% below historic average.	Water demand to be reduced to critical supply only.
Lawn and Aesthetic Garden Watering – Manual Sprinklers	Watering allowed between 6am – 10am and 7pm – 12am up to 3 days per week.	Watering allowed between 6am – 10am and 7pm – 12am up to 3 days per week.	Watering allowed between 6am – 10am and 7pm – 12am up to 2 days per week.	Watering allowed between 6am – 10am and 7pm – 12am one day per week.	Use of GEID supplied water for all forms of aesthetic lawn and garden watering is prohibited.
Odd Address Schedule	Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday	Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday	Tuesday & Saturday	Saturday	
Even Address Schedule	Wednesday, Friday, Sunday	Wednesday, Friday, Sunday	Wednesday & Sunday	Sunday	
Lawn and Aesthetic Garden Watering – Automatic Timer Sprinkler System	Watering allowed between 12am - 6am up to 3 days per week.	Watering allowed between 12am - 6am up to 3 days per week.	Watering allowed between 12am - 6am up to 2 days per week.	Watering allowed between 12am - 6am one (1) day per week.	Use of GEID supplied water for all forms of aesthetic lawn and garden watering is prohibited.
Odd Address Schedule	Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday	Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday	Tuesday & Saturday	Saturday	
Even Address Schedule	Wednesday, Friday, Sunday	Wednesday, Friday, Sunday	Wednesday & Sunday	Sunday	
Lawn and Aesthetic Garden Watering – Handheld Sprinkling (spring- loaded nozzle on hose or watering can); Engineered Drip Irrigation	No restrictions	Watering allowed between 6am – 10am and 7pm – 12am up to 3 days per week.	Watering allowed between 6am – 10am and 7pm – 12am up to 3 days per week.	Watering allowed between 6am – 10am and 7pm – 12am up to 2 days per week.	Use of GEID supplied water for all forms of aesthetic lawn and garden watering is prohibited.
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Food Gardens and Fruit Trees/Shrubs	Follow Normal Stage Lawn and Aesthetic Garden Watering restrictions (as noted above for the irrigation system in use)	Follow Stage 1 for Lawn and Aesthetic Garden Watering restrictions (as noted above for the irrigation system in use)	Follow Stage 1 for Lawn and Aesthetic Garden Watering restrictions (as noted above for the irrigation system in use)	Watering allowed Tuesday and Fridays between 6am – 10am and 7pm – 12am, as required to maintain plant health	Use of GEID supplied water for this purpose is prohibited.
Garden Ponds, Aesthetic Fountains, and Water Features	Filling and refilling is permitted between 6am – 10am and 7pm – 12am up to 3 days per week.	Filling and refilling is permitted between 6am – 10am and 7pm – 12am per address schedule.	Filling and refilling is permitted between 6am – 10am and 7pm – 12am per address schedule.	Use of GEID supplied water for this purpose is prohibited.	Use of GEID supplied water for this purpose is prohibited.
Odd Address Schedule	Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday	Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday	Tuesday & Saturday		
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Pools	No restrictions	No restrictions	Filling and refilling is permitted prior to June 15. Topping up only between June 15 and August 31.	Topping up allowed once per week on Wednesday. Filling and refilling are prohibited.	Use of GEID supplied water for this purpose is prohibited.
Cleaning Outdoor Surfaces (driveways, sidewalks, decks, artificial turf, patios)	Use a broom, device or hose with a spring- loaded nozzle, or mop and bucket.	Use a broom, device or hose with a spring- loaded nozzle, or mop and bucket.	Washing with spring-loaded nozzle for health and safety purposes or to prepare a surface for painting or similar treatment. Washing for aesthetic purposes is prohibited.	Washing with spring-loaded nozzle for health and safety reasons only. Washing for aesthetic purposes is prohibited.	All forms of cleaning of outdoor surfaces with water are prohibited unless ordered by a regulatory authority (i.e., WCB, public health inspector, etc.).
Vehicle (boat/ automobile/ATV/ etc.) Washing	Use a bucket with cloth or sponge with a spring- loaded nozzle, or visit a water wise commercial car wash.	Use a bucket with cloth or sponge with a spring- loaded nozzle, or visit a water wise commercial car wash.	Use a bucket with cloth or sponge with a spring- loaded nozzle, or visit a water wise commercial car wash.	No washing or rinsing with water except for safety purposes (windows, lights, licenses).	No washing or rinsing with water except for safety purposes (windows, lights, licenses).





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Golf Courses	Irrigation should only occur between 7pm and 10am.	Limit irrigation of Fairways to 5 times per week and avoid irrigation between 10am and 7pm.	Reduce watering of greens and tees. Fairway watering limited to three days per week between 7 pm and 10 am.	No watering permitted for fairways. Minimal watering only for tees and greens.	Use of GEID supplied water for this purpose is prohibited.
Artificial turf and outdoor tracks (i.e. Bicycle, motorcycle, and running tracks)	Cleaning, with a hose or sprinkler, permitted for health and safety only. Use spring- loaded nozzle.	Cleaning, with a hose or sprinkler, permitted for health and safety only. Use spring- loaded nozzle.	Cleaning, with a hose or sprinkler, permitted for health and safety only. Use spring- loaded nozzle.	Cleaning, with a hose or sprinkler, permitted for health and safety only. Use spring- loaded nozzle.	All forms of cleaning of outdoor surfaces with are prohibited unless ordered by a regulatory authority (i.e. WCB, public health inspector, etc.).
Municipal parks, sport fields, grassed boulevards, Cemeteries, school yards.	Sufficient and efficient water use to maintain healthy public space appropriate to its use in consultation with GEID. Where practical irrigation should only occur between 7pm and 10am.	10% overall volume reduction consistent with an approved drought response plan.	20% overall volume reduction consistent with an approved drought response plan.	30% overall volume reduction consistent with an approved drought response plan.	Use of GEID supplied water for this purpose is prohibited.
Maintenance, ground under repair and testing.	No restrictions	No restrictions	Avoid irrigation between 10 am and 7 pm. Reduce maintenance to priority space.	Avoid irrigation between 10 am and 7 pm. Reduce maintenance to priority space.	Use of GEID supplied water for this purpose is prohibited.
Municipal Water Main Flushing and Hydrant Maintenance.	No restrictions	No restrictions	Only for unscheduled safety or public health reasons. No routine flushing.	Only for unscheduled safety or public health reasons. No routine flushing.	Only for unscheduled safety or public health reasons. No routine flushing.





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Artificial Turf	Use spring-loaded nozzle. No restrictions on fields with user activated switches.	Cleaning, with a hose or sprinkler, permitted for health and safety only. Use spring- loaded nozzle. No restrictions on fields with user activated switches.	Cleaning, with a hose or sprinkler, permitted for health and safety only. Use spring- loaded nozzle.	Cleaning, with a hose or sprinkler, permitted for health and safety only. Use spring- loaded nozzle.	All forms of cleaning of outdoor surfaces with are prohibited unless ordered by a regulatory authority (i.e. WCB, public health inspector, etc.).
Agricultural Irrigation	No restrictions Restricted by flow control valves as per property size.	No restrictions Restricted by flow control valves as per property size.	Users encouraged to reduce irrigation usage by 10% to 20%	GEID Board of Trustees reserves the right to restrict water use, based on property characteristics, crop type, irrigation system, management, etc.	Use of GEID- supplied water for this purpose is prohibited without explicit permission from the GEID Board of Trustees.

