

*Mahanoy Township Authority*  
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Attention Mahanoy Township Authority Water Customers:

Due to drought conditions, the Mahanoy Township Authority is activating Stage 1 of our Drought Contingency Plan for all customers. Stage 1 prohibits all Non-Essential Water Uses in our service area. The following water uses are declared non-essential and are prohibited within the Emergency Service Area: watering of lawns, outdoor gardens, landscaped areas, trees, shrubs, and other outdoor plants; washing of automobiles and trucks; washing of streets, driveways, and sidewalks; serving water in restaurants, clubs or eating places unless specifically requested by the individual; and ornamental water use. We ask that in addition all means of conservation methods are utilized by all customers to reduce overall usage by a minimum of 15%. For more details on the non-essential water uses and suggested conservations methods, please visit the Authority website at [www.mahanoywater.org](http://www.mahanoywater.org) or pick-up information by stopping by our main office at 46 North Main Street; Mahanoy City, during normal business hours.

**DROUGHT CONTINGENCY PLAN  
MAHANoy TOWNSHIP AUTHORITY  
DROUGHT EMERGENCY  
NON-ESSENTIAL WATER USE RESTRICTIONS**

<u>PROHIBITED</u>	<u>EXCEPTIONS</u>
Lawn Watering	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sewage or storm water treatment systems using spray irrigation</li> <li>• Newly seeded and sodded grass area between the hours of 5 p.m. and 9 a.m. by means of a hand-held hose, nozzle, bucket or pail</li> <li>• Newly seeded/sodded non-residential grass areas exceeding 10,000 square feet may be watered conservatively between the hours of 5 p.m. and 9 a.m. or by professional landscapers during and hours</li> </ul>
Irrigation of gardens landscape areas, trees and shrubs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Agricultural irrigation and commercial nurseries.</li> <li>• If applied by hand-held container or hose with automatic shut-off between 5 p.m. and 9 a.m.</li> <li>• Maintenance of newly planted gardens, trees, shrubs, or other outdoor plants with hand-held equipment only between 5 p.m. and 9 a.m.</li> </ul>
Watering golf courses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tees and greens may be watered between 5 p.m. and 9 a.m.</li> <li>• Syringing heat sensitive grasses.</li> <li>• Necessary overseeding of resodding during August – October.</li> </ul>
Watering paved surfaces such as streets, roads garages, parking areas tennis courts and patios	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Water may be used for pre-washing in preparation of asphalt street or driveway recoating/sealing clay tennis courts as minimally necessary sidewalks, driveways, by hand-held hose and grass tennis courts as minimally necessary.</li> <li>• Sanitation of eating/drinking premises.</li> </ul>
Operation of water Fountains, artificial waterfalls and pools	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• NONE</li> </ul>
Washing vehicles	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Car washing may be done from a bucket or using commercial car washes.</li> <li>• Cleaning of commercial or public vehicles to allow safe operation.</li> <li>• Cleaning dealer’s sales inventory, with certain restrictions on time and methods.</li> <li>• Professional mobile wash businesses.</li> </ul>
Serving water in eating places unless requested by the customer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• NONE</li> </ul>
Filling and topping off swimming pools	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Public or residential swimming pools with filtration and recycling capabilities serving 25 or more dwelling units.</li> <li>• Health care facilities for patient care/rehabilitation.</li> <li>• Other pools if water supplier approves</li> </ul>