

Department of Public Works
Water Supply Division

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Barnstable Municipal Water Supply Board

State of Water Supply Conservation

Effective May 19, 2026

At its regularly scheduled public meeting on May 19, 2026, the Barnstable Municipal Water Supply Board determined that a potential water shortage exists. This decision follows the State of Massachusetts' Level 1 Mild Drought declaration for the Cape Cod Region and is in accordance with the Water Management Act.

To help conserve water and ensure a reliable supply for essential needs – such as drinking water and fire protection – the Board has declared a **State of Water Supply Conservation**.

Non-essential outdoor water use is defined as water usage that is not required:

- For health or safety reasons
- By regulation
- For the production of food and fiber
- For the maintenance of livestock
- To meet the core functions of a business

As part of this declaration, the following **mandatory restrictions on nonessential outdoor water use** will be implemented to reduce daily water consumption and preserve the town's water supply between May 1st and September 30th.

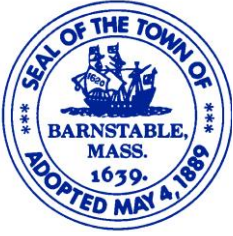
1. Outdoor Watering via sprinklers or automatic irrigation systems is restricted to One Day per Week:

- Odd numbered addresses are permitted to water on odd numbered days (i.e. dates ending in 1, 3, 5, 7, or 9).
- Even numbered addresses are permitted to water on even numbered days (i.e. dates ending in 0, 2, 4, 6, or 8).
- Commercial, condominium, and other multiple properties held under common ownership or management may, by written request of the property owner, be assigned an odd or even day designation by the Water Supply Division.

2. Outdoor watering of lawns, gardens, flowers, and ornamental plants, via a hand-held hose, drip irrigation or bucket, is permitted

3. Outdoor Watering Hours:

- Outdoor watering is permitted only from 5:00 PM to 9:00 AM.



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Failing to adhere to these mandatory restrictions will result in the assessment of the following fines:

- First violation: written warning
- Second violation: \$100.00
- Third and any subsequent violation: \$300.00

Please be aware of advanced weather forecasts and adjust your outdoor water use schedule accordingly.

Water conservation kits, including showerheads, faucet aerators, and replacement toilet tank flappers are available to Hyannis Water System customers at no charge through the Water Supply Division.

Learn more by visiting the Town of Barnstable website, here:

<https://barnstable.gov/Departments/watersupply/Conservation/Conservation-Items-Available.pdf>

The Barnstable Municipal Water Supply Board will terminate the water use restrictions on nonessential outdoor water use once the State declared drought conditions no longer exist. To learn more about the Massachusetts' Level 1 Mild Drought declaration, please visit: www.mass.gov/news/critical-and-significant-drought-conditions-declared-in-several-regions

Please call the Hyannis Water System at (508) 775-0063 with any questions.