



Water Conservation Program

The Fauquier County Water and Sanitation Authority (FCWSA) is dedicated to providing you ample, safe, and clean water to meet all your needs throughout the year. The FCWSA relies exclusively on groundwater (wells) for your water needs and therefore managing supply requires constant vigilance which can periodically result in short-lived actions. For limited purposes only, and to ensure a fair and equitable delivery of water to all customers, the FCWSA finds it appropriate to introduce our “Water Conservation Program.”

FCWSA’s commitment to providing ample, clean water begins by careful design of infrastructure to extract and convey drinking water, consideration of planned and projected growth per the County’s Comprehensive Plan in consultation with the Fauquier County Board of Supervisors and Planning Commission, and other factors that ensure adequate and sustained supplies today and in the future.

The Water Conservation Program acknowledges the potential need for short term adjustments to water usage in response to the vagaries of weather such as sustained drought that all water utilities face from time to time and is instituted for those purposes only.

Response Stages

Virginia has four response stages concerning the drought declarations; normal, watch, warning and emergency. WSA will follow the conditions outlined in the Virginia Drought Management Plan along with the WSA operating indicators which include daily monitoring of water usage when declaring a response stage.

Normal Wise Water Use	Watch Voluntary Water Conservation	Warning Mandatory Water Conservation	Emergency Mandatory Water Restrictions
Reference DEQ Water Conservation Recommendations	Lawns: 3 days/week (8 pm to 8 am only) night hours only	Lawns: 1 day/week (8 pm to 8 am only) night hours only	Lawns: No watering
	Car Washing: 1 day/week	Car Washing: No	Car Washing: No
	Pools: Fill & replenish	Pools: Replenish public pools only	Pools: Replenish public pools only
	Paved Surfaces: No washing	Paved Surfaces: No washing	Paved Surfaces: No washing
	Farms: No restrictions	Farms: No restrictions	Farms: No restrictions

Please check the FCWSA website at www.fcwsa.org for the latest water status of your community and for water saving tips.

In case of warning or emergencies, FCWSA will notify customers via the media and website of the requested actions that you will need to take to preserve the water for essential uses.

Compliance with the Water Conservation Program's restrictions is the responsibility of all individual customers. Again, this is to ensure you and all your neighbors have equal access to water during these events and throughout the year. In the rare event that a customer is out of compliance with these restrictions a series of actions will be triggered and FCWSA may begin enforcement actions.

Enforcement actions will only be taken during the Warning and Emergency stages as follows:

First Offense:	Written Warning and telephone call
Second Offense:	\$100 fee assessed on your monthly bill
Third Offense:	\$250 fee assessed on your monthly bill

As with all actions taken by FCWSA you have the right to dispute the action. The FCWSA strives to resolve all concerns with our customers in a timely manner. So please consult the FCWSA webpage for updates and clarifications first, many of your questions can be answered there. If you still have questions you can call our customer staff at 540-349-2092.