

## Public Utilities Division

### Water Conservation Tips

Conservation measures you can use inside your home include:

- Fix leaking faucets, pipes, toilets, etc
- Replace old fixtures; install water-saving devices in faucets, toilets and appliances
- Wash only full loads of laundry
- Do not use the toilet to dispose of trash
- Take shorter showers
- Do not let the water run while shaving or brushing teeth
- Soak dishes before washing
- Run the dishwasher only when full

You can conserve outdoors as well:

- Water the lawn and garden in the early morning or evening; following the water conservation regulations
- Use mulch around plants and shrubs
- Repair leaks in faucets and hoses
- Use water-saving nozzles
- Use water from a bucket to wash your car, save the hose for rinsing



North Water Tower



## Village of Sugar Grove

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## Water Conservation Regulations



Contributing to the health, safety, comfort and quality of life of the community.

**Public Works Department**

## Water Conservation

In order to ensure that there is an adequate water supply for drinking, bathing and fire protection this summer, all residents are encouraged to comply with the Village's water conservation ordinance. Water conservation measures are an important first step in protecting our water supply. Such measures not only save our source water supply, but also save you money by reducing your water bill.

### Watering restrictions apply to

- all properties connected to the Village Water System

### Outdoor water use is permitted between

- 6:00 – 9:00 AM
- 6:00 – 9:00 PM

### and limited to

- even-numbered street addresses on even-numbered dates
- odd-numbered street addresses on odd-numbered dates

Newly planted seed or sod may be exempt from the restrictions for the first ten days during permitted hours of use after obtaining a Sod Watering Permit. The use of water for the establishment of new sod or seed shall be prohibited from July 1<sup>st</sup> to August 31<sup>st</sup>.

For the complete Water Conservation Ordinance, visit our website at [www.sugar-grove.il.us](http://www.sugar-grove.il.us)

## Frequently Asked Questions

### Q: Why are there regulations?

A: The regulations are designed to ensure the safety of the Village's Water System and encourage water conservation. Specifically, the regulations help to maintain the Village's water supply levels during dry weather conditions when little rainfall occurs which is necessary to ensure public safety by meeting fire-fighting requirements.

### Q: Who do the regulations apply to?

A: All persons and properties using water within the Village or unincorporated areas which are connected to the Village's Water System, regardless of whether any person using the Water has a contract for service with the Village.

### Q: When can I water my lawn?

A: Lawn sprinkling is permitted from 6:00 – 9:00 AM and 6:00 – 9:00 PM following the odd/even rule. There are no restrictions when watering with a hand held device.

### Q: What does odd/even mean?

A: Properties ending in odd numbers may use lawn sprinklers on odd numbered calendar dates and properties ending in even numbers may use lawn sprinklers on even numbered calendar dates during the approved times.

### Q: Can I install sod anytime?

A: Use of water from the Village Water System for the establishment of new sod, seed or landscaping is prohibited from July 1<sup>st</sup> through August 31<sup>st</sup>. You may lay sod during the prohibited period if you use water from a source other than the Village Water System.

### Q: When can I fill my swimming pool?

A: There are no restrictions when filling swimming pools that are fifty (50) gallons or less. All properties with swimming pools more than fifty (50) gallons must follow the odd/even watering restrictions during permitted hours of use.

### Q: What is the fine for not following the regulations?

A: The Village issues a \$50 fine for the first offense, a \$125 fine for the second offense and a \$500 fine for each subsequent offense. Unpaid fines will be added to the water bill of the property at which the offense occurred.

### Q: What are the fees associated with a hydrant meter rental?

A: The Village charges \$25 per month for the use of the hydrant meter. The Bulk Water Rate is \$6.24 per 1000 gallons of water. There are also two required deposits which will be refunded when the equipment is returned, \$500 for the ¾" meter or \$1000 for the 2½" meter and \$25 for the wrench.

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