

Charter Township of Orion

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Dear Homeowners Association Members:

Each year during our contract negotiations with the City of Detroit, many factors, including water usage during "peak" times are examined to determine the rates. "Peak" times are generally when residents are getting up in the morning and businesses are opening and in the evening hours when residents are returning home. When water usage is high, the rates from the City of Detroit during that period are higher, due to their need to keep up with the demand. In an effort to help keep our rates low, the watering restriction was adopted to keep the demand for water from Orion Township during the peak times low.

From May until September of each year, a **MANDATORY WATERING RESTRICTION** has been adopted for those connected to Orion Township water. This includes all commercial accounts, churches, homeowner association sprinkler accounts, and **residential accounts with automatic sprinkler systems**.

The following MANDATORY WATERING RESTRICTIONS shall apply:

- Watering may only be done between the hours of 12:00 a.m. (midnight) and 5:00 a.m.
- Odd addresses may only water their lawns on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday.
- Even addresses may only water their lawns on Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday.

Sunday is considered a free day, where anyone may water their lawn at any time. If the restrictions for Monday through Saturday are not followed, then your water service could be discontinued.

An article with the above information was published in the Outreach Magazine that should have been received by all Orion Township residents. However, we would appreciate your help in notifying the residents within your homeowners association of the watering restrictions.

The Department of Public Works is doing all that we can to help reduce our rates, and we appreciate everyone's help and cooperation in following the mandatory watering restrictions.

Thank you,

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