

VOLUNTARY WATER CONSERVATION

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As we enter into another very warm and dry spell, the Kittery Water District asks that consumers on the Kittery Water District distribution system to please consider taking water conservation precautions. Heavy water use, particularly from irrigation, can be considered wasted water during times of drought. It is important to remind our customers that drinking water is a limited resource, and it's important to prioritize efficient water use and conservation. Conserving water not only helps preserve our resources, but also supports our communities, ecosystems, and future generations. Let's all do our part to protect this essential resource. We ask that you consider taking the following water conservation measures:

OUTSIDE WATER USE:

- ✓ Avoid watering lawns or reduce frequency and duration of watering, particularly during warmer daylight hours.
- ✓ Keep lawns a bit longer than normal. This helps in moisture retention and prevents lawns from easily burning.
- ✓ Water garden only when necessary, and only early in the morning and later in the afternoon to prevent water loss by evaporation. Also consider rain barrels to collect roof runoff.
- ✓ Avoid washing vehicles, driveways and decks.
- ✓ Cover swimming pools to prevent evaporation and the need to refill.
- ✓ Check hoses to make sure they are turned off and not leaking

INSIDE WATER USE:

- ✓ Take shorter showers and avoid baths.
- ✓ Turn off the water while brushing teeth and shaving.
- ✓ Wash only FULL loads of clothes and dishes.
- ✓ Collect and reuse clean household water. Your plants will love it.
- ✓ Fix any leaks that you may find: sinks, toilets, spigots, etc.
- ✓ Adapt plumbing with water saving devices

The Kittery Water District thanks you for any water conservation measures which you are able to take. Neighbors helping neighbors.

For a more extensive list of conservation measures, please click the following link: https://kitterywater.org/water-use-conservation/