

# Town of Scituate



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## TOTAL BAN ON ALL NONESSENTIAL OUTDOOR WATER USE

### Restricted Nonessential Outdoor Water Uses

**Nonessential outdoor water uses that are subject to mandatory restrictions** include:

- irrigation of lawns via automatic irrigation systems;
- filling swimming pools;
- washing vehicles, except in a commercial car wash or as necessary for operator safety; and
- washing exterior building surfaces, parking lots, driveways or sidewalks, except as necessary to apply surface treatments such as paint, preservatives, stucco, pavement or cement.

**The following uses may be allowed** when mandatory restrictions are in place:

- irrigation to establish a new lawn and new plantings during the months of May and September;
- irrigation of public parks and recreational fields before 9 am and after 5 pm;
- irrigation of gardens, flowers and ornamental plants by means of a hand-held hose or drip irrigation system; and
- irrigation of lawns by means of a hand-held hose.

**Water uses NOT subject to mandatory restrictions** are those required:

- for health or safety reasons;
- by regulation;
- for the production of food and fiber;
- for the maintenance of livestock; or
- to meet the core functions of a business (for example, irrigation by golf courses as necessary to maintain tees, greens, and minimal fairway watering, or irrigation by plant nurseries as necessary to maintain stock).