

# **THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF AURORA**

## ***By-law Number 4420-03.E***

***BEING A BY-LAW to regulate  
the supply and use of water  
within the serviced area of  
The Corporation of the Town  
of Aurora.***

**WHEREAS** the provisions of Section 12 of the Public Utilities Act R.S.O. 1980, Chapter 423, as amended, permit municipal corporations to pass Bylaws for the regulation of the time, manner, extent and nature of the supply of works and every other matter or thing related to or connected therewith that may be necessary or proper to regulate, in order to ensure a continued and abundant supply of water;

**AND WHEREAS**, the Council of The Corporation of the Town of Aurora deems it expedient to establish restrictions on the use of water in order to promote water conservation.

**NOW THEREFORE THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF AURORA ENACTS AS FOLLOWS:**

### **Section 1 - Definitions:**

#### **1.1 Director**

“Director” means the Director of Water and Wastewater for the Region of York.

#### **1.2 Person**

“person” includes a natural individual, corporation, association, or partnership.

#### **1.3 Town**

“Town” means the Corporation of the Town of Aurora.

### **Section 2 - Standard Watering Restrictions:**

2.1 No person shall use the municipal water of the Town of Aurora from a hose, pipe sprinkler or permanent irrigation system for the purpose of watering any lawn, garden, or the washing of vehicles, sidewalks, driveways, patios, decks and windows or the filling of swimming pools except as follows:

- (a) An even numbered address may use water outdoors only on even numbered days of the month;
- (b) An odd numbered address may use water outdoors only on odd numbered days of the month;
- (c) Outdoor water use will only be permitted between the hours of 6:00 am and 10 am and 6 pm and 10 pm;
- (d) That these conditions be in place between May 15<sup>th</sup> and September 30<sup>th</sup> of each year;
- (e) Exemptions to these restrictions are provided in Schedule “A” attached.

**Section 3 - Stage 1 Outdoor Water Use Advisory**

- 3.1 Where the Director gives notice that a Stage 1 Outdoor Water Use Advisory is declared, all persons will be requested to refrain from using municipal water from a hose, pipe, sprinkler, or permanent irrigation system for the purpose of:
- (a) watering lawns and gardens;
  - (b) washing vehicles, sidewalks, patios, decks, windows, or driveways;
  - (c) filling swimming pools.
- 3.2 Exemptions to the Stage 1 restrictions are provided in Schedule "A" attached.

**Section 4 - Stage 2 Outdoor Water Use Ban**

- 4.1 Where the Director gives notice that a Stage 2 Outdoor Water Use Ban is declared, no person shall use municipal water from a hose, pipe, sprinkler, or permanent irrigation system for the purpose of:
- (a) watering lawns and gardens;
  - (b) washing vehicles, sidewalks, patios, decks, windows, or driveways;
  - (c) filling swimming pools.
- 4.2 Exemptions to the Stage 2 restrictions are provided in Schedule "A" attached.

**Section 5 – Enforcement**

- 5.1 Any person who contravenes any provision of this By-law is guilty of an offence and is liable upon conviction, to a fine as provided for under the *Provincial Offences Act*.

**Section 6 – General Provisions**

- 6.1 This By-law shall be referred to as the "Harmonized Watering By-law."
- 6.2 That By-law 4071-99.E is hereby repealed.
- 6.3 This By-law shall come into force upon third reading thereof.

***READ A FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD TIME THIS 25<sup>th</sup> DAY OF MARCH 2003.***

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**T. JONES, MAYOR**

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**B. PANIZZA, MUNICIPAL CLERK**

**SCHEDULE "A"**

**Exemptions and Special Cases**

**Exempted Users**

1. The provisions of the By-law shall not apply to persons who owns, operates or carries on the following operations, which rely on the steady supply and use of water:
  - (a) nurseries
  - (b) all weather playing fields, if failure to water will result in a permanent loss of plant material or adversely affect public safety
  - (c) washing exterior building surfaces, including windows, parking lots, driveways, or sidewalks prior to the application of a product such as paint, preservative, stucco, or the preparation of a surface prior to paving or rejoining of bricks, or if required by law to comply with health and safety regulations
  - (d) commercial car washes and car dealerships
  - (e) Town operated recreational facilities
  - (f) other users as identified by the Town from time to time

**All Users**

2. A person during a Stage 1 Advisory or Stage 2 Ban, may water flowers, shrubs, trees or vegetables on days other than and including their designated Watering Day, provided the watering is done using a hand-held container.
3. A person may water new trees or shrubs during installation and for 24 hours following planting. Any subsequent watering must comply with the provisions of this By-law.
4. A person may water new sod or seed for up to one month following planting.
5. A person may refill a backyard residential pool for maintaining the integrity of the filtering system.