

Rule 25 - WATER EMERGENCIES

A. Definitions

1. "Person" includes any individual, corporation, business trust, estate, trust, partnership, and association.
2. "Water Emergency" shall be deemed to exist:
 - a) Whenever the City of Newark has been ordered to restrict water use by the State or Federal government or proper regulatory agency thereof.
 - b) When the major source of water supply for the water works system cannot supply an adequate amount of water to safely meet demands of the users of the water treatment works.
 - c) When the demands of the users of water exceed the capability of the treatment facilities.
 - d) When the construction, maintenance or repair of the system requires limitation of the water flow.
 - e) Any emergency situation that threatens the health, safety or welfare of the system or the users of the water works.
3. "Period of Water Emergency" shall mean the following:
 - a) Whenever the City of Newark has been ordered to restrict water use by the State or Federal government or a proper regulatory agency thereof, the period of water emergency shall commence upon issuance of such order and shall continue until said order is rescinded by the State or Federal government or proper regulatory agency thereof.
 - b) Water emergencies declared under subsection A. 2. b) c) d) e) hereof, may be ordered by the Board of Control of the City of Newark, In this case, the commencement date of the water emergency shall be the effective date of the declaration. The water emergency shall continue until the aforesaid declaration is rescinded.

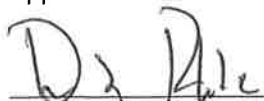
B. In order to protect the water works of the City of Newark in a period of water emergency, no person during a period of water emergency shall use water distributed through the water distribution system of the City of Newark:

1. To water lawns or other plant life except that shrubs, gardens and flowers may be watered by hand bucket and/or sprinkling can. Watering gardens for food production are exempt from these restrictions.
2. To fill swimming pools or to replace water which has evaporated therefrom.
3. To wash motor vehicles, recreational vehicles, or boats. Commercial motor vehicle washes are specifically exempted from application of this subsection.
4. Hydrant flushing.
5. Gardens for the purpose of food production are specifically exempted from application of this subsection.

C. Penalty

1. Whoever violates this section upon first offense shall be guilty of a minor misdemeanor and shall be punished in accordance with Chapter 648 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Newark, Ohio.
2. Whoever violates this section upon second offense or thereafter shall be guilty of a misdemeanor of the fourth degree and shall be punished in accordance with Chapter 648 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Newark, Ohio.

Approved:



David Rhodes, Director of Public Service

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Date