

TOWN OF WESTERLY

CHAPTER 2028

“AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE IMPOSING A PENALTY FOR THE WILLFUL WASTING OF WATER”

The Town of Westerly hereby ordains:

Section 1: There presently exists an extreme drought condition in the Town of Westerly, RI and Pawcatuck, CT which affects life, health, and property.

Section 2: Effective Immediately, the watering of lawns, the filling of swimming pools, the filling of wading pools, the washing of exterior siding of housing, the washing of motor vehicles, the washing of sidewalks, the washing of boats or vessels, and similar water use is declared to be unlawful and restricted unless the uses are utilized as follows:

- (A) Addresses ending in an even number are allowed to use water without mandatory restrictions on even number calendar days.
- (B) Addresses ending in an odd number are allowed to use water without mandatory restrictions on odd number calendar days.

This provision shall not apply to commercial users but only to the extent that the use of water is a necessary product for the delivery of its service or commercial product. Commercial restaurants shall only serve water upon request.

Section 3: Any person, firm or corporation who intentionally violates provisions of this ordinance shall be issued a warning for the first offense and one hundred dollars (\$100.00) fine for each reoccurring violation. Each day any violation of this ordinance shall occur or continue shall constitute a separate offense.

Section 4: This ordinance shall take effect upon its passage and shall automatically stand repealed as of the 61<sup>st</sup> day after its adoption (September 24, 2022), pursuant to Town Charter, Section 15-2-4(d).

A true copy of an Ordinance passed July 25, 2022.

Per Order of the Town Council.

ATTEST: Mary L. LeBlanc, MMC  
Council Clerk  
July 27, 2022