

Sec. 26-166. - Waste of water prohibited.

(a) It is unlawful to waste water obtained from the City in any manner. No person shall cause the waste of water, or knowingly fail to prevent the waste of water on property owned by or within the control of such person.

(b) Waste of water shall mean any of the following:

(1) the application of water to any of the following in a manner that results in pooling of water or a steady flow of water into storm drainage facilities, or onto streets, sidewalks, driveways or other impervious surfaces:

- a. any lawn, turf, sodded or landscaped area,
- b. an impervious surface, such as a patio, driveway, garage, or
- c. a vehicle or other structure or object;

(2) the release of water from a leak, broken component or malfunction of a valve or controller, a sprinkler or other irrigation system, or a broken or malfunctioning outdoor plumbing fixture;

(3) the application of water to an impervious surface, vehicle or other structure or object with a hose without the use of a hose nozzle designed to stay in the closed portion except when activated by hand pressure to permit the flow of water; or

(4) the failure to comply with an order issued under Subsection (c) below.

(c) If the Utilities Executive Director determines that there is a break, leak or malfunction of any indoor plumbing, fixture or equipment, or any water service line or related fixture or equipment at any premises to which the City provides water service, a written notice of such condition may be given by the City to the customer for such premises and the owner of the property, ordering that the break, leak or malfunction be repaired within the period of time specified in the notice and order. Such period shall be no less than twenty-four (24) hours. The order may require that water to a broken, leaking or malfunctioning water line be discontinued until repair has been completed, if necessary to prevent substantial loss of water.

