

Chapter 26

Water

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Part 1**Water Emergency****§26-101. Water Emergency Declared.**

The Mayor of the Borough of North York with the consent of Borough Council may declare a water emergency when any one of the following conditions are present.

A. There is an interruption of the municipal water supply serving the Borough of North York.

B. There are drought conditions established by the failure of the normal amount of rainfall expected in the Borough together with a drop in the York City and North York Borough area water table of more than 5 inches (the water table being established by its average depth over the preceding 10 years).

C. A request by the Board of Commissioners of York County or the Governor of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, or the York Water Company requesting that a water emergency be declared.

(Ord. 91-10, 9/9/1991)

§26-102. Limited Use of Water.

1. Upon the declaration of a water emergency in the Borough of North York, all persons are prohibited from the nonessential use of water.

2. Residential use of water shall be limited to cooking, bathing, washing of clothes, and such other use as shall be determined appropriate by the Mayor, taking into account the severity of the water emergency. Unless otherwise changed by a resolution of the Borough Council, the following shall be unlawful during a water emergency:

- A. Washing of automobiles.
- B. Watering of lawns.
- C. Using water to wash down buildings, pavements, or sidewalks.
- D. Watering shrubs, trees or plants.
- E. Watering gardens.

3. The Mayor with the consent of the Borough Council shall have the authority to limit the commercial and industrial use of water within the Borough of North York unless the said commercial or industrial user has a recirculating system to reuse the same water that is required for the commercial or industrial application.

4. If the Mayor believes, after a reasonable investigation, that there is insufficient water to meet the residential needs of the residents of North York Borough, which shall include drinking and bathing, he shall have the authority to order the termination of any commercial or industrial use that may jeopardize a sufficient quantity of water being delivered to each resident to provide for their drinking, cooking, and bathing needs.

(Ord. 91-10, 9/9/1991)

§26-103. Unlawful to Burn in Open Air.

It shall be unlawful to burn anything outside in the open air during the time of water emergency. All camp fires, fireplaces and charcoal grills in Borough parks shall be prohibited during a water emergency.

(Ord. 91-10, 9/9/1991)

§26-104. Violation.

Any person, firm or corporation who shall violate any provision of this Part, upon conviction thereof, shall be sentenced to a fine of not more than \$1,000 plus costs and, in default of payment of said fine and costs, to a term of imprisonment not to exceed 30 days. Each day that a violation of this Part continues or each Section of this Part which shall be found to have been violated shall constitute a separate offense.

(Ord. 91-10, 9/9/1991; as amended by Ord. 2006-3, 7/10/2006)