

# FACT SHEET

## Reclaimed Water

### ***Year-Round Water Conservation Measures***

Reclaimed water is "recycled" highly treated wastewater effluent from a sewer treatment plant. This increasingly valuable alternative to potable (drinking-quality) water can be used for several purposes, including: lawn and landscape irrigation, golf course and other athletic play area irrigation, agricultural irrigation, wetland restoration, water-to-air cooling/heating systems and some industrial processes.

Here are the applicable year-round water conservation measures:

- Irrigation with 100% reclaimed water is NOT restricted to certain days by the District.
- Irrigation with 100% reclaimed water should be voluntarily conserved, such as not watering between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. to reduce evaporative loss.
- Use of reclaimed blends (combinations of reclaimed water and either well or surface water) is restricted unless the non-reclaimed water source meets one of these four criteria from Rule 40D-22.201(3)(h), Florida Administrative Code:
  1. Incidental stormwater runoff that enters a reclaimed water storage pond
  2. Product from a reclaimed water Aquifer Storage and Recovery well
  3. Water regulated by a District-authorized variance covering use of the blend
  4. Water regulated by a Water Use Permit for temporary or seasonal augmentation of the reclaimed water system

### **General Information**

Stricter local ordinances may apply. Some reclaimed water providers have voluntary or mandatory watering schedules, in order to improve the reliability of their system.

If you have any questions about how these or other year-round water conservation measures apply to your facility, please call 1-800-848-0499 during normal business hours or send an inquiry to [Water.Restrictions@WaterMatters.org](mailto:Water.Restrictions@WaterMatters.org).