

## **Rules for High Water Use**

[Effective 12-22-21]

Palomar Mountain and San Diego County are in a continuing drought and the Board of Directors of Palomar Mountain Mutual Water Company, Inc. ("the Company") must address high water use. The Company determines high water use to be over 60,000 gallons/year per meter (or 5,000 gallons/month per meter) ("High Water Use"), which amount is subject to change by the Company. In addition, there is absolutely no outside sprinkler or drip irrigation at any time - water use from the Company's water is for in house use only ("In House Use Only"). The following shall apply to any member or parcel that is determined to have High Water Use or in violation of the In House Use Only rule:

**First Offense:** The first offense of any High-Water Use or violation of the In-House Use Only will result in a written warning and a monthly meter reading. Water use should be reduced to less than 5,000 gallons per month. Learn to read your meter.

**Second Offense**: The second offense of any ongoing High-Water Use or violation of the In-House Use Only will result in a second written warning and monthly meter reading. If there has been no significant reduction to less than 5,000 gallons a month following issuance of the second written warning, a \$500 fine will be imposed. Continued High Water Use or violation of the In-House Use Only may lead to water shut off or other Board Action as set forth in the Bylaws, including termination of a member's interest in the Company.

## Clarification of Water Use sign at the bottom of Crestline:

**Voluntary:** The term "Voluntary" means voluntary water conservation is in place. The Company can supply demand, however, be careful with water use.

**Mandatory:** The term "Mandatory" means mandatory water conservation is in place and the Company may not be able to supply water demand. Remember the Company's tanks only hold 70,000 gallons of water. The Company is capable of pumping 2,000 gallons an hour. If the Company pumps at night, the Company saves money. If the Company has to pump all day to keep up with demand the rates increase. The Company also needs to hold some water in reserve for safety [Fire Department].

**Emergency:** The term "Emergency" means emergency water use only, and that little or no water is available to members.

Water rates will increase after the 2022 billing [June 1, 2022] to keep up with increasing costs of providing water and to discourage high water use.

Members, please advise your renters and guests of these Rules for High Water Use and to be mindful with all water use.

These Rules for High Water Usage have been approved by the Board of Directors of Palomar Mountain Mutual Water Company, Inc. on 12-11-2021.

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