

City of Watsonville comments below in blue.



Californians shall not:

- Use a hose that dispenses water to wash a motor vehicle, except where the hose is fitted with a shut-off nozzle or device attached to it that causes it to cease dispensing water.

We agree with this, but suggest that a future iteration of this prohibition require low flow hose nozzles.

- Apply potable water directly to driveways and sidewalks.

While we agree with this in theory, in practice businesses continue to implement power washing and will not adhere to this prohibition. This will create enforcement issues and confusion. Instead, this prohibition could be followed with, "if pressure washing is done, the waste water must be collected and discharged into the sanitary sewer system so it can be recycled."

- Under "Penalties for Particular Entities" - are golf courses being regulated in the same way as defined entities? We believe they should be. See below pulled from the emergency restrictions:

"Californians are subject to the individual end-user requirements contained in the emergency regulation. Furthermore, golf courses served by a water supplier are subject to the conservation actions determined by their water supplier. Additionally, golf courses with an independent water supply (i.e., not served by a water supplier in part or whole) are required to either limit outdoor irrigation to two days per week or achieve a 25 percent reduction in water use."

- Under "Requirement for Hotels and Motels" - Operators of hotels and motels shall provide guests with the option of choosing not to have towels and linens laundered daily. The hotel or motel shall prominently display notice of this option in each guestroom using clear and easily understood language.

We believe that this prohibition should absolutely remain in place. People started getting use to this hotel/motel practice as the new norm and it very likely also taught people in the process about water conservation and to consider their own laundry practices. Should we need emergency restrictions in the future, we can now take conservation one step further at hotels and motels and other businesses. It would also be important in the future to include that all of the easily understood language communicating this to guests be bilingual in whatever languages are prominent in the given location.