



## The Regional Municipality of Halton

# Water Wise Halton Smart Watering

### When to water? What number is your home?

Halton Region's Water Use By-law (By-law 42-04) promotes water conservation by outlining all permitted usage of water for businesses and residents. If your address number ends in an odd number, your watering days are calendar days that also end in odd numbers. If your address number ends in an even number, your watering days are calendar days that also end in even numbers.

### Smart watering through the use of rain gauges

With a rain gauge you can not only monitor the amount of water your lawn receives naturally each week, but you can also use this device to accurately water your lawn.



#### How to use a rain gauge:

1. Place your rain gauge in an open area away from buildings and trees.
2. Monitor the amount of water you receive on a daily basis throughout the week.
3. At the end of a one week period, add the additional amount of water to your lawn needed to make up the 2.5cm (1 inch) requirement. Remember 2.5 cm (1 inch) of water a week is all the water that is needed to ensure a healthy deep rooted lawn.

Contact Halton Region for your free of charge rain gauge and start watering smart today!

### Here are some more water efficient tips to consider:

- Limit the amount of water lost through evaporation by watering your lawn in the early morning.
- Set your mower height to 6 – 8 cm (2 ½ - 3"). This will provide shade to the root base and reduce the amount of moisture lost due to evaporation.
- Try dressing your garden and flower beds with mulch. Mulch can work to keep soil cool and shaded thus limiting the amount of moisture lost due to evaporation.
- Position your sprinkler to only water desired areas.
- Use Smart Timers with your sprinkler system to make sure you are not watering when it is raining.

For additional ways to make your home, office and garden water efficient, contact Halton Region for your copy of the Halton Region/Canadian Mortgage and Housing Corporation *Household Guide to Water Efficiency*.

**Did you know that your lawn only requires 2.5cm (1 inch) of water a week including rainfall?**

## Working to control West Nile virus



**A. Brent Marshall**  
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Each year, Halton Region works to control West Nile virus (WNV) through a comprehensive plan that includes public education, surveillance, and a larviciding program on public property. Halton residents have helped in this effort by reporting dead bird sightings and eliminating standing water on their properties.

Last year, five Halton residents were diagnosed with WNV illness. As summer heightens, it becomes even more important that residents take steps to avoid mosquito bites. Wear pants and long-sleeved tops that are light in colour and made of tightly woven materials. Apply an approved insect repellent, such as one containing DEET. Remember that mosquitoes are most active from dusk to dawn and any time in shady, wooded areas.



**Dr. Bob Nosal**  
Medical Officer of Health

### Halton Regional Meeting Schedule

- Monday, July 3 - Offices closed due to Canada Day
- Wednesday, July 5 - 9:30 a.m. - Planning & Public Works Committee
- Wednesday, July 5 - 1:30 p.m. - Administration & Finance Committee
- Thursday, July 6 - 9:30 a.m. - Health & Social Services Committee

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## Team Cedar Grilling cooks up third-place finish in BBQ competition

Team Cedar Grilling tuned up for the Canadian Open Barbecue Championships in Barrie by placing third in the latest segment of the Ontario Barbecue Championships recently in Paris, Ontario.

Team Cedar, which is based out of Ballinafad and includes members Stephen Adams, Marty Soberg, Daryl Maybanks and Scott Cormier, placed second in the ribs competition at Paris and was fourth in both the chicken and pork shoulder categories.

The final segment in the Ontario championships will take place in St. Catharines on September 23 with the overall winner in the Ontario series representing Ontario at the Jack Daniels Invitational BBQ Champion-

ships in October.

Team Cedar Grilling's next competition is the Canadian Open Barbecue Championship in Barrie, August 4-6.

The local team were recently the guests of Murray Lloyd on the barbecue show Q Scene BBQ TV. The show will have a second part added when the Q Scene film crew go to the Canadian Open Championships in Barrie in August to film Team Cedar Grilling in the heat of battle during Canada's fiercest barbecue competition.

For air times and updates on Team Cedar Grilling visit [www.cedar-grilling.com](http://www.cedar-grilling.com).

Q Scene BBQ TV can be seen on Saturdays at 11 a.m. on the A channel.



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The KSLO Canada Day Run/Walk starts at 9:30 a.m. at Paradiso Restaurant (registration information: 905-639-8053)

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