



Ohio Administrative Code Rule 1501-7-06 Emergency water use.

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(A) The director may lease or sell water from any canal or canal reservoir operated and maintained by the director during emergency situations in which water supplies are interrupted due to drought, contamination, or other circumstances. Lease or sale agreements during emergency situations may be for no more than one hundred eighty days and may only be for public water supply, fire protection, or livestock watering.

(B) If the emergency request is for a public water supply, the governing body shall have declared by resolution an emergency and have adopted and be enforcing water conservation measures.

(C) The water rate established pursuant to paragraph (D) of rule 1501-7-05 of the Administrative Code applies to emergency water lease or sale agreements except as specified in paragraph (D) of this rule.

(D) Pursuant to an emergency water withdrawal directive the director may allow water to be withdrawn from canals and canal reservoirs that are owned and operated by the department by truck or trailer tanks for emergency livestock water supply. Such water may be sold to persons at a rate determined by the director in the sale agreement.
