

WATER RESTRICTION BY LAW

Clause 6 - EXEMPTIONS GUIDELINES

1. Introduction

In times of drought or water shortage, it may be necessary for Gippsland Water to impose water restrictions in certain areas in order to conserve available water supplies. A copy of the water restrictions is attached.

Gippsland Water is committed to minimising where possible the economic, health, and structural impact that these restrictions may have on our customers. Affected customers may be eligible for an exemption.

At all stages of restriction an exemption can be sought if a customer wishes to operate outside the stage of restriction.

A customer who is adversely affected by Gippsland Water's water restrictions, can complete an **Exemption Application** form and email or post it to Gippsland Water. Depending upon the type of exemption sought a customer may also need to complete a Water Use Plan Application form.

For more information and to complete an Exemption Application form and/or a Water Use Plan Application form, visit www.gippswater.com.au/residential/help-advice/saving-water/water-restrictions.

2. Criteria

A customer may be eligible for an exemption if:

- Their livelihood is disproportionately impacted by the level of restriction;
- Their water use under such an exemption will be less than they would otherwise be likely to have used for the same purpose under the level of restriction they are under:
- They have special needs which make such an exemption necessary;
- A building or other structure they own is likely to suffer appreciable physical damage during the restriction; or
- The restriction is likely to have an adverse effect on public health and safety.

Gippsland Water may also accept applications for exemptions to water specific areas, as long as the application is accompanied by an approved Water Use Plan for the use, regardless of whether or not any of the above conditions are fulfilled.

A Water Use Plan is a plan approved by Gippsland Water despite the current prevailing restrictions. Water Use Plans will only be approved where the use of a Plan is expressly permitted for the particular use of water under the relevant stage of restriction or where it is required as part of an application for exemption.

In order for any exemption application to be successful, Gippsland Water must be reasonably satisfied that the proposed exemption would not (along with other similar exemptions which have been or are likely to be granted) significantly impact our water supply and daily demand for other customers, as well as that the granting of such an exemption would be generally supported by other affected customers.

Gippsland Water retains the right to grant a requested exemption in full or in part and subject to any conditions that we consider appropriate for the conservation of water, as



well as to revoke an exemption at any time by written notice. If circumstances change such that Gippsland Water must increase or decrease the level of water restriction, any existing exemptions will end.

3. Exemptions

3.1 Public garden areas

A public garden area is any:

- garden area at any park, reserve or other outdoor area, used or available for public recreation or amenity; or
- garden area at any cemetery, crematorium, central road area, or roundabout under the management or control of a public authority; or
- trees located in a nature strip.

Public garden areas do not include any:

- · residential or commercial garden area; or
- playing surface; or
- nature strip.

Under stage 1 or 2 water restrictions where no exemptions apply, public garden areas can be watered as required with a hand-held hose with a trigger nozzle, bucket, or watering can at any time. Watering systems may be used to water public garden areas under these restrictions, but only on alternate days between the hours of 6.00am-10.00am and 6.00pm-10.00pm (stage 1) or 6.00am-8.00am and 6.00pm-8.00pm (stage 2).

Alternate days in the case of a property with an odd street number means odd numbered days of the month. Alternate days in the case of a property with an even or no street number means even days of the month. Alternate days for properties with odd, even or no street numbers also means 31st day of any month and 29 February.

If a stage 3 restriction applies, public garden areas may only be watered as required on alternate days between 6.00am-8.00am, whether with a hand-held hose with a trigger nozzle, bucket, or watering can or with a dripper watering system.

During stage 4 restrictions, public garden areas will only be allowed to be watered after a successful application for exemption.

These restrictions are intended to ensure that public gardens are watered when it is most beneficial and efficient (as the rate of evaporation is lowest at the start and end of the day), as well as at times when general demand for water is low. As such, we are unlikely to grant exemptions for reason of employees not commencing work within the allowed time frame, nor due to additional demand on organisational budgets caused by having to operate outside of usual working hours in order to meet watering demand.

Gippsland Water may grant an application for exemption to water a public garden area (subject to any conditions thought appropriate) during a water restriction if:

- the application is accompanied by a Water Use Plan for the public garden area;
 and
- the Water Use Plan has previously been approved by Gippsland Water; and
- (during a period of stage 4 restrictions) Gippsland Water is reasonably satisfied that, if the garden is watered in accordance with the Water Use Plan, the exemption sought would not (in combination with other exemptions which have been or are likely to be granted) have a significant impact on the total daily demand for water



by other customers or the security of available water supplies in the relevant district.

Organisations will be expected to provide additional personnel if necessary to meet their watering requirements within the allowed time frame. It should also be noted that automatic watering systems may be an appropriate option for persons or organisations affected in this way.

Exemptions may be considered for any request on the following grounds:

- Where a manual watering system is used to maintain the health of significant plant or tree assets and does not result in extra time for watering;
- Where drying of expansive soil would cause ground movement and physical damage to structures;
- Where drying of root or soil would cause tree/plant root intrusion and physical damage to structures;
- Where watering is vital to maintain moisture levels to keep instant lawn alive.

3.2 Playing Surfaces

A playing surface is any outdoor area used or capable of being used for any organised sport or recreation.

Applications for exemption to water playing surfaces under any restrictions may be granted for a finite period if the surface in question is to be used for (or in support of) a previously scheduled interstate, national, or international professional sporting competition. Further guidelines on exemptions for specific purposes such as this can be found below.

Apart from the general process used by Gippsland Water to consider whether a person or organisation is eligible for an exemption, we may also grant an application for exemption to water any playing surface during any stage of restriction (subject to any conditions thought appropriate, including the finite period during which the exemption is granted) if:

- the application is accompanied by a Water Use Plan for the playing surface; and
- the Water Use Plan has previously been approved by Gippsland Water; and
- the application relates to a playing surface which is to be used for or in support of an interstate, national, or international professional sporting competition; and
- Gippsland Water is reasonably satisfied that, if the surface is watered in accordance with the Water Use Plan, the exemption sought would not (in combination with other exemptions which have been or are likely to be granted) have a significant impact on the total daily demand for water by other customers or the security of available water supplies in the relevant district.

Exemptions will generally not be granted for reason of financial impact or public health and safety merely because of poor condition due to water restriction. However, if sports bodies determine based on the condition of the grounds that the playing area constitutes a risk to occupational health and safety then Gippsland Water may consider an exemption. Such exemptions may be given special consideration where they relate to racecourses.

Gippsland Water may also consider applications for exemptions to water Astroturf prior to play or to apply and water in lawn pesticide and herbicide treatments.

The following playing surfaces (referred to in Gippsland Water's by-law as 'particular playing surfaces') are the only such surfaces allowed to be watered without exemption



during stage 2 or 3 restrictions, with the same time-frame limits applying as in the case of public garden areas above:

- a turf wicket for competition cricket;
- a turf practice wicket for cricket but only if an alternative practice wicket that does not require watering (such as a synthetic wicket) is not available;
- a lawn or other type of running track (whether for use by humans or animals);
- a lawn, clay or other type of tennis court other than a concrete, bitumen or asphalt tennis court;
- a baseball or softball diamond, including the infield and any clay running area;
- a hockey or lacrosse pitch;
- a green for lawn bowls or croquet or similar sport;
- the penalty areas of a soccer pitch; or
- a golfing tee or green (but not fairways or approaches)

where the above are either at a sporting or recreational facility that is for public, commercial or general community use or associated with a university, school, or other educational institution, or

a soft-fall area at a child-care facility or public playground.

Particular playing surfaces exclude any part of a sporting or recreational facility associated with a private club or similar private organisation.

Particular playing surfaces as listed above (and no other type of playing surface) may be eligible for an exemption during a period of stage 4 restrictions, provided that:

- the application is accompanied by a Water Use Plan for the particular playing surface that has been prepared for the purpose of stage 4 restrictions; and
- the Water Use Plan has previously been approved by Gippsland Water; and
- Gippsland Water is reasonably satisfied that, if the surface is watered in accordance with the Water Use Plan, the exemption sought would not (in combination with other exemptions which have been or are likely to be granted) have a significant impact on the total daily demand for water by other customers or the security of available water supplies in the relevant district.

3.3 Warm season grasses

If a customer makes an application for an exemption to establish a warm season grass (buffalo, couch or kikuyu) area at a specified property during a period of stage 1 or 2 restrictions and an exemption for this item has not been made in the past 12 months the customer will, unless notified otherwise, be deemed to have been granted an exemption from the date the application is posted, subject to the following conditions:

- the exemption allows for watering solely for the establishment of warm season grass; and
- the exemption expires 28 days after the exemption is deemed to have been granted.

WATER RESTRICTIONS

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1. Watering Gardens, Lawns and Playing Surfaces	 (a) A: residential or commercial garden or lawn area; or public garden or lawn area; or general or particular playing surface, cannot be watered except as required and then only: with a hand-held hose with a trigger nozzle, bucket or watering can at any time; or by means of a watering system but only on alternate days between the hours of 6am and 10am and 6pm and 10pm (alternate days means: in the case of a property with an odd street number - odd numbered days of the month; in the case of a property with an even or no street number - even days of the month; and in the case of properties with odd, even or no street numbers - 31st day of any month and 29 February.). 	(a) A: residential or commercial lawn area; or public lawn area; or general playing surface, can not be watered at any time.	(a) A: residential or commercial lawn area; or public lawn area; or general playing surface, cannot be watered at any time.	 (a) A: residential or commercial garden or lawn area; or public garden or lawn area; or general or particular playing surface, cannot be watered at any time.
	(b) Not used.	 (b) A: residential or commercial garden area; or public garden area; or a particular playing surface, cannot be watered except as required and then only: with a hand-held hose with a trigger nozzle, bucket or watering can any time; or using a watering system but only on alternate days between the hours of 6am and 8am and 6pm and 8pm (alternate days means: in the case of a property with an odd street number - odd numbered days of the month; in the case of a property with an even or no street number - even days of the month; and in the case of properties with odd, even or no street numbers - 31st day of any month and 29 February.) 	 (b) A: residential or commercial garden area; or public garden area; or particular playing surface, cannot be Watered except as required and then only on alternate days between the hours of 6am and 8am (alternate days means: in the case of a property with an odd street number - odd numbered days of the month; in the case of a property with an even or no street number - even days of the month; and in the case of properties with odd, even or no street numbers - 31st day of any month and 29 February): with a hand-held hose with a trigger nozzle, bucket or watering can; or using a dripper watering system. 	

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	 (c) Notwithstanding paragraph (a): a public garden or lawn area; or a general or particular playing surface, can be watered as required but only in accordance with an approved Water Use Plan. 	 (c) Notwithstanding paragraphs (a) and (b): a public garden or lawn area; or a general or particular playing surface, can be watered as required but only in accordance with an approved Water Use Plan. 	 (c) Notwithstanding paragraphs (a) and (b): a public garden or lawn area; or a general or particular playing surface, can be watered as required but only in accordance with an approved Water Use Plan. 	
2. Using Water for Aesthetic Purposes	 (a) Water cannot be used to fill or top up a fountain or water feature unless the fountain or water feature recirculates the Water and then only by means of: a hand-held hose with a trigger nozzle, bucket or watering can; or an automatic water top up device. 	(a) Water cannot be used to fill or top up a fountain or water feature at any time.	(a) Water cannot be used to fill or top up a fountain or water feature at any time.	(a) Water cannot be used to fill or top up a fountain or water feature at any time.
	(b) Water cannot be used to fill or top up a new or existing pond or lake with a capacity of 2,000 litres or less except by means of a handheld hose, watering can or bucket.	(b) Water cannot be used to fill or top up a new pond or lake, regardless of capacity, at any time.	(b) Water cannot be used to fill or top up a new pond or lake, regardless of capacity, at any time.	(b) Water cannot be used to fill or top up a new pond or lake, regardless of capacity, at any time.
	(c) Water cannot be used to fill or top up a new or existing pond or lake with a capacity of greater than 2,000 litres except in accordance with an approved Water Use Plan.	(c) Water cannot be used to fill or top up an existing pond or lake, regardless of capacity, unless the relevant pond or lake sustains aquatic fauna or bird life, and then only accordance with an approved Water Use Plan.	(c) Water cannot be used to fill or top up an existing pond or lake, regardless of capacity, unless the relevant pond or lake sustains aquatic fauna or bird life, and then only in accordance with an approved Water Use Plan.	(c) Water cannot be used to fill or top up an existing pond or lake, regardless of capacity, unless the relevant pond or lake sustains aquatic fauna or bird life, and then only in accordance with an approved Water Use Plan.
3. Using Water in Swimming Pools and Toys	 (a) Water cannot be used to fill a new or existing: residential or commercial pool or spa; or public pool or spa, with a capacity of 2,000 litres or less, except by means of: a hand-held hose, bucket or watering can; or an Automatic Water Top Up Device. 	 (a) Water cannot be used to fill a new or existing: residential or commercial pool or spa;, or public pool or spa, with a capacity of 2,000 litres or less, except by means of: a hand-held hose, bucket or watering can; or an automatic water top up device. 	(a) Water cannot be used to fill a new or existing residential or commercial pool or spa of any capacity.	(a) Water cannot be used to fill a new or existing residential or commercial pool or spa of any capacity.
	(b) Water cannot be used to fill a new or existing: • residential or commercial pool or spa; or • public pool or spa, with a capacity of greater than 2,000 litres, except in accordance with an approved Water Use Plan.	 (b) Water cannot be used to fill a new or existing: residential or commercial pool or spa; or public pool or spa, with a capacity of greater than 2,000 litres, except in accordance with an approved Water Use Plan. 	(b) Water cannot be used to fill a new or existing public pool or spa, of any capacity, except in accordance with an approved Water Use Plan.	(b) Water cannot be used to fill or top up a new or existing public pool or spa, of any capacity, except in accordance with an approved Water Use Plan.
	 (c) Water cannot be used to top up a new or existing: residential or commercial pool or spa; or public pool or spa, of any capacity, except by means of: 	 (c) Water cannot be used to top up a new or existing: residential or commercial pool or spa; or public pool or spa, of any capacity, except: 	 (c) Water cannot be used to top up: an existing residential or commercial pool or spa; or a new or existing public pool or spa, of any capacity, except: 	(c)Water cannot be used to top up an existing residential or commercial pool or spa of any capacity, except by means of a bucket or watering can.

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	 a hand-held hose, bucket or watering can; or an Automatic Water Top Up Device. 	between the hours of 6am and 8am and 6pm and 8pm on alternate days by means of a hand-held hose, bucket or watering can (alternate days means: in the case of a property with an odd street number - odd numbered days of the month; in the case of a property with an even or no street number - even days of the month; and in the case of properties with odd, even or no street numbers - 31st day of any month and 29 February); or by use of an automatic water top up device at any time; or in accordance with an approved Water Use Plan.	between the hours of 6am and 8am on alternate days by means of a hand-held hose, bucket or watering can (alternate days means: in the case of a property with an odd street number - odd numbered days of the month; in the case of a property with an even or no street number - even days of the month; and in the case of properties with odd, even or no street numbers - 31st day of any month and 29 February); or by use of an automatic water top up device at any time; or in accordance with an approved Water Use Plan.	
	(d) Water cannot be used to fill or top up a mobile spa except in accordance with an approved Water Use Plan that is obtained by the owner of the mobile spa.	(d) Water cannot be used to fill or top up a mobile spa except in accordance with an approved Water Use Plan that is obtained by the owner of the mobile spa.	(d) Water cannot be used to fill or top up a mobile spa at any time.	(d) Water cannot be used to fill or top up a mobile spa at any time.
	(e) Water cannot be used in or for the use of a hose-connected water toy at any time.	(e) Water cannot be used in or for the use of a hose-connected water toy at any time.	(e) Water cannot be used in or for the use of a hose-connected water toy at any time.	(e) Water cannot be used in or for the use of a hose-connected water toy at any time.
4. Storing or Transporting Water	(a) Water cannot be used to fill or top up a dam or tank except: • where the Water in the dam or tank is to be used: - for fire fighting, stock watering or other public health purposes but then only to the extent which it is reasonably necessary for those purposes; or - for domestic purposes inside a dwelling; or - for any other use of water permitted by means of a hand-held hose under stage 1 restrictions; or • in accordance with an approved Water Use Plan.	(a) Water cannot be used to fill or top up a dam or tank except: • where the Water in the dam or tank is to be used: - for fire fighting, stock watering or other public health purposes but then only to the extent which it is reasonably necessary for those purposes; or - for domestic purposes inside a dwelling; or - for any other use of water permitted by means of a hand-held hose under stage 2 restrictions; or • in accordance with an approved Water Use Plan.	(a) Water cannot be used to fill or top up a dam or tank except: • where the Water in the dam or tank is to be used: - for fire fighting, stock watering or other public health purposes but then only to the extent which it is reasonably necessary for those purposes; or - for domestic purposes inside a dwelling; or - for any other use of water permitted by means of a hand-held hose under stage 3 restrictions; or • in accordance with an approved Water Use Plan.	(a) Water cannot be used to fill or top up a dam or tank except: • where the Water in the dam or tank is to be used: - for fire fighting, stock watering or other public health purposes but then only to the extent which it is reasonably necessary for those purposes; or - for domestic purposes inside a dwelling; or - for any other use of water permitted by means of a hand-held hose under stage 4 restrictions; or • in accordance with an approved Water Use Plan.
	 (b) Water cannot be used to fill or top up a water tanker unless: Gippsland Water has granted a mobile water tanker permit to the operator of that tanker; and the tanker is supplying the Water to be used for: 	 (b) Water cannot be used to fill or top up a water tanker unless: Gippsland Water has granted a mobile water tanker permit to the operator of that tanker; and the tanker is supplying the Water to be used for: 	 (b) Water cannot be used to fill or top up a water tanker unless: Gippsland Water has granted a mobile water tanker permit to the operator of that tanker; and the tanker is supplying the Water to be used for: 	 (b) Water cannot be used to fill or top up a water tanker unless: Gippsland Water has granted a mobile water tanker permit to the operator of that tanker; and the tanker is supplying the Water to be used for:

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5. Cleaning Vehicles with Water	for fire fighting, stock watering or other public health purposes but then only to the extent which it is reasonably necessary for those purposes; or for domestic purposes inside a dwelling; or for any other use of Water permitted by means of a hand-held hose under stage 1 restrictions. (a) Water cannot be used to clean a vehicle, except: in the case of a vehicle being cleaned at the premises of or by a motor vehicle dealer, repairer or detailer, only in accordance with paragraph (c); or in any other case by means of: a high pressure water cleaning device; or if such a device is not available, a hand-held hose with a trigger nozzle, bucket or watering can; or at a commercial car wash in accordance with paragraph (d); or in the case of a vehicle for mass transportation, in accordance with an approved Water Use Plan.	- for fire fighting, stock watering or other public health purposes but then only to the extent which it is reasonably necessary for those purposes; or - for domestic purposes inside a dwelling; or - for any other use of Water permitted by means of a hand-held hose under stage 2 restrictions. (a) Water cannot be used to clean a vehicle except: • in the case of a vehicle being cleaned at the premises of or by a motor vehicle dealer, repairer or detailer, only in accordance with paragraph (c); or - in any other case by means of: - a high pressure water cleaning device; or - if such a device is not available, a hand-held hose with a trigger nozzle, bucket or watering can; or - at a commercial car wash in accordance with paragraph (d); or - in the case of a vehicle for mass transportation, in accordance with an approved Water Use Plan.	Just Enough	for fire fighting, stock watering or other public health purposes but then only to the extent which it is reasonably necessary for those purposes; or for domestic purposes inside a dwelling; or for any other use of Water permitted by means of a hand-held hose under stage 4 restrictions. (a) Water cannot be used to clean a vehicle except: by means of a bucket or watering can and even then only to the extent it is necessary for: health and safety reasons; or cleaning vehicle windows, mirrors, lights and registration plates; or spot-removing corrosive substances; or at a commercial car wash in accordance with paragraph (d); or in the case of a vehicle for mass transportation, in accordance with an approved Water Use Plan.
	(b) Notwithstanding paragraph (a), water can be used to clean inside a food transport vehicle if it is necessary, either to avoid contamination of the vehicle's contents or to ensure public health or safety, but only by means of a: • a high pressure water cleaning device; or • a hand-held hose with a trigger nozzle, bucket or watering can. (c) Water cannot be used at the premises of or by a motor vehicle dealer, repairer or detailer to clean a vehicle except: • by means of: - a high pressure water cleaning device;	 (b) Notwithstanding paragraph (a), water can be used to clean inside a food transport vehicle if it is necessary, either to avoid contamination of the vehicle's contents or to ensure public health or safety, but only by means of a: a high pressure water cleaning device; or a hand-held hose with a trigger nozzle, bucket or watering can. (c) Water cannot be used at the premises of or by a motor vehicle dealer, repairer or detailer to clean a vehicle except: by means of: a high pressure water cleaning device; 	(b) Notwithstanding paragraph (a), water can be used to clean inside a food transport vehicle if it is necessary, either to avoid contamination of the vehicle's contents or to ensure public health or safety, but only by means of a: • a high pressure water cleaning device; or • a hand-held hose with a trigger nozzle, bucket or watering can. (c) Water cannot be used at the premises of or by a motor vehicle dealer, repairer or detailer to clean a vehicle except: • by means of: - a high pressure water cleaning device;	(b) Notwithstanding paragraph (a), water can be used to clean inside a food transport vehicle if it is necessary, either to avoid contamination of the vehicle's contents, or to ensure public health or safety, but only by means of a: • a high pressure water cleaning device; or • a hand-held hose with a trigger nozzle, bucket or watering can. (c) Not used.

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	- a commercial car wash in accordance with paragraph (d); or - a bucket or watering can; or • in accordance with an approved Water Use Plan.	a commercial car wash in accordance with paragraph (d); or a bucket or watering can; or in accordance with an approved Water Use Plan.	- a commercial car wash in accordance with paragraph (d); or - a bucket or watering can; or • in accordance with an approved Water Use Plan.	
	(d) Water cannot be used to wash vehicles at a commercial car wash unless: • for those car washes built prior to 1 July 2012, no more than 100 litres of water is used for each vehicle washed; and • for those car washes built on or after 1 July 2012, no more than 70 litres of water is used for each vehicle washed; or • the use is in accordance with an approved Water Use Plan.	 (d) Water cannot be used to wash vehicles at a commercial car wash unless: for those car washes built prior to 1 July 2012, no more than 100 litres of water is used for each vehicle washed; and for those car washes built on or after 1 July 2012, no more than 70 litres of water is used for each vehicle washed; or the use is in accordance with an approved Water Use Plan. 	(d) Water cannot be used to wash vehicles at a commercial car wash unless: the car wash uses no more than 70 litres of water, for each vehicle washed; or the use is in accordance with an approved Water Use Plan.	(d) Water cannot be used to wash vehicles at a commercial car wash except by means of a bucket or watering can and even then only to the extent it is necessary for: - health and safety reasons; or - cleaning vehicle windows, mirrors, lights and registration plates; or - spot-removing corrosive substances
	 (e) Water cannot be used to flush the inboard or outboard motor of a boat or other vessel unless: a suitable receptacle filled by a hand-held hose is used; or a flushing device, connected to a hose is used, and the tap is turned off immediately after flushing is complete. 	 (e) Water cannot be used to flush the inboard or outboard motor of a boat or other vessel unless: a suitable receptacle filled by a hand-held hose is used; or a flushing device, connected to a hose is used, and the tap is turned off immediately after flushing is complete. 	 (e) Water cannot be used to flush the inboard or outboard motor of a boat or other vessel unless: a suitable receptacle filled by a hand-held hose is used; or a flushing device, connected to a hose is used, and the tap is turned off immediately after flushing is complete. 	 (e) Water cannot be used to flush the inboard or outboard motor of a boat or other vessel unless: a suitable receptacle filled by a hand-held hose is used; or a flushing device, connected to a hose is used, and the tap is turned off immediately after flushing is complete.
6. Using Water for Other Cleaning or Maintenance Purposes	(a) Water cannot be used on hard surfaces or building facades (including windows), except: in the course of construction or renovation but only as permitted under paragraph (c); or for cleaning required as a result of an accident, fire, health hazard, safety hazard or other emergency and then only by means of: a high pressure water cleaning device; or if such a device is not available, a hand-held hose with a trigger nozzle, bucket or watering can, or in the case of building facades (including windows), for any other type of cleaning (not referred to above) and then only by means of a bucket or watering can.	 (a) Water cannot be used on hard surfaces or building facades (including windows), except: in the course of construction or renovation but only as permitted under paragraph (c); or for cleaning required as a result of an accident, fire, health hazard, safety hazard or other emergency and then only by means of:	(a) Water cannot be used on hard surfaces or building facades (including windows), except: in the course of construction or renovation but only as permitted under paragraph (c); or for cleaning required as a result of an accident, fire, health hazard, safety hazard or other emergency and then only by means of: a high pressure water cleaning device; or if such a device is not available, a hand-held hose with a trigger nozzle, bucket or watering can.	(a) Water cannot be used on hard surfaces or building facades (including windows), except: in the course of construction or renovation but only as permitted under paragraph (c); or for cleaning required as a result of an accident, fire, health hazard, safety hazard or other emergency and then only by means of: a high pressure water cleaning device; if such a device is not available, a hand-held hose with a trigger nozzle, bucket or watering can.

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	 (b) Water cannot be used to suppress dust unless the dust is causing or is likely to cause a health or environmental hazard, and then only: by means of a hand-held hose with a trigger nozzle, bucket or watering can; or with Water from a water tanker filled or topped up in accordance with restriction 4(b); or in accordance with an approved Water Use Plan. 	 (b) Water cannot be used to suppress dust unless the dust is causing or is likely to cause a health or environmental hazard, and then only: by means of a hand-held hose with a trigger nozzle, bucket or watering can; or with Water from a water tanker filled or topped up in accordance with restriction 4(b); or in accordance with an approved Water Use Plan. 	 (b) Water cannot be used to suppress dust unless the dust is causing or is likely to cause a health or environmental hazard, and then only: by means of a hand-held hose with a trigger nozzle, bucket or watering can; or with Water from a water tanker filled or topped up in accordance with restriction 4(b); or in accordance with an approved Water Use Plan. 	 (b) Water cannot be used to suppress dust unless: there is no suitable alternative source of water available for use; and the dust is causing or is likely to cause a health or environmental hazard, and then only: by means of a hand-held hose with a trigger nozzle, bucket or watering can; or with Water from a water tanker filled or topped up in accordance with restriction 4(b); or in accordance with an approved Water Use Plan.
	(c) Water cannot be used in the course of construction or renovation except: • by means of a high pressure cleaning device, hand-held hose with a trigger nozzle, bucket or watering can; or • for the suppression of dust in accordance with paragraph (b); or • for construction equipment which requires a water supply for its safe and efficient operation; or • if required in the normal course of initial testing or flushing of: pipes; or other works.	(c) Water cannot be used in the course of construction or renovation except: • by means of a high pressure cleaning device, hand-held hose with a trigger nozzle, bucket or watering can; or • for the suppression of dust in accordance with paragraph (b); or • for construction equipment which requires a water supply for its safe and efficient operation; or • if required in the normal course of initial testing or flushing of: pipes; or other works.	(c) Water cannot be used in the course of construction or renovation except: • by means of a high pressure cleaning device, hand-held hose with a trigger nozzle, bucket or watering can; or • for the suppression of dust in accordance with paragraph (b); or • for construction equipment which requires a water supply for its safe and efficient operation; or • if required in the normal course of initial testing or flushing of: pipes; or other works.	(c) Water cannot be used, in the course of construction or renovation except: • by means of a high pressure cleaning device, hand-held hose with a trigger nozzle, bucket or watering can; or • for the suppression of dust in accordance with paragraph (b); or • for construction equipment which requires a water supply for its safe and efficient operation; or • if required in the normal course of initial testing or flushing of: pipes; or other works.
7. Using Water for Commercial Production of Plants and/or Animals:	(a) Water cannot be used at: a commercial or Council plant nursery; or a commercial market garden, except as required and then only by means of: a hand-held hose with a trigger nozzle, bucket or watering can at any time; or a watering system at any time.	(a) Water cannot be used at: a commercial or Council plant nursery; or a commercial market garden, except as required and then only by means of: a hand-held hose with a trigger nozzle, bucket or watering can at any time; or a watering system at any time.	(a) Water cannot be used at a commercial or Council plant nursery, except as required and then only: • by means of a hand-held hose with a trigger nozzle, bucket or watering can at any time; or • in accordance with an approved Water Use Plan. (b) Water cannot be used at a commercial market garden except as required and then only in accordance with an approved Water	(a) Water cannot be used at a commercial or Council plant nursery, except as required and then only: • by means of a hand-held hose with a trigger nozzle, bucket or watering can at any time; or • in accordance with an approved Water Use Plan. (b) Water cannot be used at a commercial market garden except as required and then only in accordance with an approved Water
	(c) Water cannot be used for animal husbandry except for: drinking by animals or birds; or cleaning animals or birds; or	(c) Water cannot be used for animal husbandry except for: drinking by animals or birds; or cleaning animals or birds; or	Use Plan. (c) Water cannot be used for animal husbandry except for: drinking by animals or birds; or cleaning animals or birds; or	Use Plan (c) Water cannot be used for animal husbandry except for: drinking by animals or birds; or cleaning animals or birds; or

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	 cleaning pens, yards and cages, and then	 cleaning pens, yards and cages, and then	 cleaning pens, yards and cages, and then	 cleaning pens, yards and cages, and then
	only if cleaning is done by means of a	only if cleaning is done by means of a	only if cleaning is done by means of a	only if cleaning is done by means of a
	hand-held hose with a trigger nozzle or			
	bucket.	bucket.	bucket.	bucket.
	 (d) Water cannot be used for cooling a shed on a commercial poultry farm except by means of: sprinklers used only for cooling and then only between the hours of 6am and 9pm when the inside temperature of the shed is 30°C or higher; and 	 (d) Water cannot be used for cooling a shed on a commercial poultry farm except by means of: sprinklers used only for cooling and then only between the hours of 6am and 9pm when the inside temperature of the shed is 30°C or higher; and 	 (d) Water cannot be used for cooling a shed on a commercial poultry farm except by means of: sprinklers used only for cooling and then only between the hours of 6am and 9pm when the inside temperature of the shed is 30°C or higher; and 	 (d) Water cannot be used for cooling a shed on a commercial poultry farm except by means of: sprinklers used only for cooling and then only between the hours of 6am and 9pm when the inside temperature of the shed is 30°C or higher; and
	 fogging systems and cooling pads, which			
	may be used at any time.			
8. Other Uses	Water must not be used for any Other Use without the prior written permission of Gippsland Water.	Water must not be used for any Other Use without the prior written permission of Gippsland Water.	Water must not be used for any Other Use without the prior written permission of Gippsland Water.	Water must not be used for any Other Use without the prior written permission of Gippsland Water.

