

WATER RESTRICTION BY LAW 17

GUIDELINES FOR EXEMPTIONS UNDER CLAUSE 6

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. 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.

A customer who is adversely affected by Gippsland Water's water restrictions, can apply for an exemption online.

For more information and to apply for an Exemption and/or lodge a Water Use Plan, visit https://www.gippswater.com.au/residential/help-advice/saving-water/water-restrictions.

It should be noted that the water restrictions apply to supplied drinking water and would not apply to a customer with a raw water connection.

2. Criteria

In order to grant an application for exemption, Gippsland Water must be reasonably satisfied that:

- The proposed exemption is necessary to avoid an inequitable and disproportionately adverse impact by the level of restriction on the customer; or
- The proposed exemption would result in less water use under the exemption than the level the customer would otherwise be allowed to use; or
- Based on prior consumption the proposed exemption would result in less water use under the exemption than the level they would otherwise be allowed to use; or
- The customer has special needs which make such an exemption necessary; or
- A building or other structure the customer owns or occupies during the stage of restriction 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; and
- The proposed exemption would not have a significant impact on the total daily demand for water or the security of available supplies in the district where the use would occur: and
- The proposed exemption, would in our opinion, be generally supported by other customers affected by that stage of restriction.

Gippsland Water may also grant applications for exemptions for specific purposes 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.

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. Particular 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 statutory body; 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.

Gippsland Water may grant an application for exemption to water a public garden area outside the rules of that stage of restriction (subject to any conditions thought appropriate) if:

- the application is accompanied by a Water Use Plan for the public garden area;
 and
- the Water Use Plan is approved by Gippsland Water; and
- 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.

Under stage 1 or 2 water restrictions, public garden areas can be watered as required with a hand-held hose, 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 6.00 am and 10.00 am and 6.00 pm and 10.00 pm (stage 1) or 6.00 am and 8.00 am and 6.00 pm and 8.00 pm (stage 2).

If a stage 3 restriction applies, public garden areas may only be watered as required on alternate days between 6.00 am and 8.00 am, whether with a hand-held hose, 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 as above.

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.

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.



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) an inter-state, national, or international professional sporting competition.

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 is approved by Gippsland Water; and
- the application relates to a playing surface; 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.

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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	(Alert)	(Save)	(Just Enough)	(Critical)
1. Watering Gardens, Lawns and Playing Surfaces with Supplied drinking water	 (a) A: residential or commercial garden or lawn area; or public garden or lawn area; or general or particular playing surface, cannot be watered with supplied drinking water except as required and then only: with a hand-held hose, 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. 	(a) A: residential or commercial lawn area; or public lawn area; or general playing surface, cannot be watered with supplied drinking water at any time.	(a) A: residential or commercial lawn area; or public lawn area; or general playing surface, cannot be watered with supplied drinking water 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 with supplied drinking water 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 with supplied drinking water except as required and then only: with a hand-held hose, 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.	(b) A: residential or commercial garden area; or public garden area; or particular playing surface, cannot be watered with supplied drinking water except as required and then only on alternate days between the hours of 6am and 8am: with a hand-held hose, bucket or watering can; or using a dripper watering system.	(b) Not used.
	(c) Despite paragraph (a): a public garden or lawn area; or a general or particular playing surface, can be watered with supplied drinking water as required but only in accordance with an approved Water Use Plan.	(c) Despite paragraphs (a) and (b): a public garden or lawn area; or a general or particular playing surface, can be watered with supplied drinking water as required but only in accordance with an approved Water Use Plan.	(c) Despite paragraphs (a) and (b): a public garden or lawn area; or a general or particular playing surface, can be watered with supplied drinking water as required but only in accordance with an approved Water Use Plan.	(c) Not used.
2. Using Supplied drinking water for Aesthetic Purposes	 (a) Supplied drinking 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, bucket or watering can; or an Automatic Water Top Up Device. 	(a) Supplied drinking water cannot be used to fill or top up a fountain or water feature at any time.	(a) Supplied drinking water cannot be used to fill or top up a fountain or water feature at any time.	(a) Supplied drinking water cannot be used to fill or top up a fountain or water feature at any time.
	(b) Supplied drinking 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 hand-held hose, watering can or bucket.	(b) Supplied drinking water cannot be used to fill or top up a new pond or lake, regardless of capacity, at any time.	(b) Supplied drinking water cannot be used to fill or top up a new pond or lake, regardless of capacity, at any time.	(b) Supplied drinking water cannot be used to fill or top up a new pond or lake, regardless of capacity, at any time.

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	(c) Supplied drinking 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) Supplied drinking 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) Supplied drinking 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) Supplied drinking 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 Supplied drinking water in Swimming Pools and Toys	 (a) Supplied drinking 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) Supplied drinking 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) Supplied drinking water cannot be used to fill a new or existing residential or commercial pool or spa of any capacity.	(a) Supplied drinking water cannot be used to fill a new or existing residential or commercial pool or spa of any capacity.
	 (b) Supplied drinking 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) Supplied drinking 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) Supplied drinking 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) Supplied drinking 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) Supplied drinking 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: a hand-held hose, bucket or watering can; or an Automatic Water Top Up Device.	(c) Supplied drinking 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: 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; or by use of an Automatic Water Top Up Device at any time; or in accordance with an approved Water Use Plan.	(c) Supplied drinking 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: between the hours of 6am and 8am on alternate days by means of a handheld hose, bucket or watering can; or by use of an Automatic Water Top Up Device at any time; or in accordance with an approved Water Use Plan.	(c) Supplied drinking 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; or • In accordance with an approved Water Use Plan.
4. Storing or Transporting Supplied drinking water	(a) Supplied drinking 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	(a) Supplied drinking 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	(a) Supplied drinking 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	(a) Supplied drinking 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

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	reasonably necessary for those purposes; or for domestic purposes inside a dwelling; or for any other use of supplied drinking water permitted by means of a hand-held hose under stage 1 restrictions; or in accordance with an approved Water Use Plan. (b) Supplied drinking 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 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	reasonably necessary for those purposes; or for domestic purposes inside a dwelling; or for any other use of supplied drinking water permitted by means of a hand-held hose under stage 2 restrictions; or in accordance with an approved Water Use Plan. (b) Supplied drinking 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 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	reasonably necessary for those purposes; or for domestic purposes inside a dwelling; or for any other use of supplied drinking water permitted by means of a hand-held hose under stage 3 restrictions; or in accordance with an approved Water Use Plan. (b) Supplied drinking 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 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	reasonably necessary for those purposes; or for domestic purposes inside a dwelling; or for any other use of supplied drinking water permitted by means of a hand-held hose under stage 4 restrictions; or in accordance with an approved Water Use Plan. (b) Supplied drinking 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 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 supplied drinking water permitted by means of a hand-held hose 	 for any other use of supplied drinking water permitted by means of a hand-held hose 	- for any other use of supplied drinking water permitted by means of a hand-held hose	- for any other use of supplied drinking water permitted by means of a hand-held hose
	under stage 1 restrictions.	under stage 2 restrictions.	under stage 3 restrictions.	under stage 4 restrictions.
5. Cleaning Vehicles with Supplied drinking water	(a) Supplied drinking 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, 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	 (a) Supplied drinking 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, 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 	(a) Supplied drinking 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 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	(a) Supplied drinking 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.

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			in the case of a vehicle that is used for mass transportation, in accordance	
			with an approved Water Use Plan.	
	(b) Despite paragraph (a), Supplied drinking	(b) Despite paragraph (a), Supplied drinking	(b) Despite paragraph (a), Supplied drinking	(b) Despite paragraph (a), Supplied drinking
	water can be used to clean inside a food	water can be used to clean inside a food	water can be used to clean inside a food	water can be used to clean inside a food
	transport vehicle if it is necessary, either to	transport vehicle if it is necessary, either to	transport vehicle if it is necessary, either to	transport vehicle if it is necessary, either to
	avoid contamination of the vehicle's	avoid contamination of the vehicle's	avoid contamination of the vehicle's	avoid contamination of the vehicle's
	contents or to ensure public health or	contents or to ensure public health or	contents or to ensure public health or	contents, or to ensure public health or
	safety, but only by means of:	safety, but only by means of:	safety, but only by means of:	safety, but only by means of:
	a high-pressure water cleaning device;	a high-pressure water cleaning device;	a high-pressure water cleaning device;	a high-pressure water cleaning device;
	or	or	or	or
	a hand-held hose, bucket or watering can.	 a hand-held hose, bucket or watering can. 	a hand-held hose, bucket or watering can.	a hand-held hose, bucket or watering can.
	(c) Supplied drinking water cannot be used	(c) Supplied drinking water cannot be used	(c) Supplied drinking water cannot be used	(c) Not used.
	at the premises of or by a motor vehicle	at the premises of or by a motor vehicle	at the premises of or by a motor vehicle	(6) / vot about.
	dealer, repairer or detailer to clean a	dealer, repairer or detailer to clean a	dealer, repairer or detailer to clean a	
	vehicle except:	vehicle except:	vehicle except:	
	by means of:	by means of:	by means of:	
	- a high pressure water cleaning	- a high pressure water cleaning	 a high pressure water cleaning 	
	device;	device;	device;	
	- a commercial car wash in	- a commercial car wash in	- a commercial car wash in	
	accordance with paragraph (d);	accordance with paragraph (d);	accordance with paragraph (d);	
	or	or - a bucket or watering can; or	Or	
	 a bucket or watering can; or in accordance with an approved Water 	0 ,	 a bucket or watering can; or in accordance with an approved Water 	
	Use Plan.	 in accordance with an approved Water Use Plan. 	Use Plan.	
	(d) Supplied drinking water cannot be used	(d) Supplied drinking water cannot be used	(d) Supplied drinking water cannot be used	(d) Supplied drinking water cannot be used
	to wash vehicles at a commercial car wash	to wash vehicles at a commercial car wash	to wash vehicles at a commercial car wash	to wash vehicles at a commercial car wash
	unless:	unless:	unless:	except by means of a bucket or watering
	 for those car washes built prior to 1 	 for those car washes built prior to 1 	the car wash uses no more than 70	can and even then only to the extent it is
	July 2012, no more than 100 litres of	July 2012, no more than 100 litres of	litres of water, for each vehicle	necessary for:
	water is used for each vehicle washed;	water is used for each vehicle washed;	washed; or	 health and safety reasons; or
	and	and	the use is in accordance with an	- cleaning vehicle windows, mirrors,
	 for those car washes built on or after 1 	 for those car washes built on or after 1 	approved Water Use Plan.	lights and registration plates; or
	July 2012, no more than 70 litres of	July 2012, no more than 70 litres of		- spot-removing corrosive substances
	water is used for each vehicle washed;	water is used for each vehicle washed;		
	the use is in accordance with an	or		
	the use is in accordance with an approved Water Use Plan.	the use is in accordance with an approved Water Use Plan.		
	(e) Supplied drinking water cannot be used	(e) Supplied drinking water cannot be used	(e) Supplied drinking water cannot be used	(e) Supplied drinking water cannot be used
	to flush the inboard or outboard motor of a	to flush the inboard or outboard motor of a	to flush the inboard or outboard motor of a	to flush the inboard or outboard motor of a
	boat or other vessel unless:	boat or other vessel unless:	boat or other vessel unless:	boat or other vessel unless:
	a suitable receptacle filled by a hand-	a suitable receptacle filled by a hand-	a suitable receptacle filled by a hand-	a suitable receptacle filled by a hand-
	held hose is used; or	held hose is used; or	held hose is used; or	held hose is used; or

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	a flushing device, connected to a hose is used, and the tap is turned off immediately after flushing is complete.	a flushing device, connected to a hose is used, and the tap is turned off immediately after flushing is complete.	a flushing device, connected to a hose is used, and the tap is turned off immediately after flushing is complete.	a flushing device, connected to a hose is used, and the tap is turned off immediately after flushing is complete.
6. Using Supplied drinking water for Other Cleaning or Maintenance Purposes	 (a) Supplied drinking 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, 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) Supplied drinking 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, bucket or watering can, or In the case of building facades (including windows), for any other type of cleaning and then only by means of a bucket or watering can. 	 (a) Supplied drinking 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, bucket or watering can. 	 (a) Supplied drinking 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, bucket or watering can.
	(b) Supplied drinking water cannot be used to suppress dust unless: there is no suitable alternative source of water that it is reasonably practicable to 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, bucket or watering can; or with supplied drinking water r from a water tanker filled or topped up in accordance with restriction 4(b); or in accordance with an approved Water Use Plan. (c) Supplied drinking water cannot be used in the course of construction or renovation except: by means of a high-pressure cleaning device, hand-held hose, bucket or watering can; or for the suppression of dust in accordance with paragraph (b); or	(b) Supplied drinking water cannot be used to suppress dust unless: there is no suitable alternative source of water that it is reasonably practicable to 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, bucket or watering can; or with supplied drinking 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) Supplied drinking water cannot be used in the course of construction or renovation except: by means of a high-pressure cleaning device, hand-held hose, bucket or watering can; or for the suppression of dust in accordance with paragraph (b); or	(b) Supplied drinking water cannot be used to suppress dust unless: • there is no suitable alternative source of water that it is reasonably practicable to 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, bucket or watering can; or • with supplied drinking 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) Supplied drinking water cannot be used in the course of construction or renovation except: • by means of a high-pressure cleaning device, hand-held hose, bucket or watering can; or • for the suppression of dust in accordance with paragraph (b); or	(b) Supplied drinking water cannot be used to suppress dust unless: • there is no suitable alternative source of water that it is reasonably practicable to 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, bucket or watering can; or • with supplied drinking 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) Supplied drinking water cannot be used, in the course of construction or renovation except: • by means of a high-pressure cleaning device, hand-held hose, bucket or watering can; or • for the suppression of dust in accordance with paragraph (b); or

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	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.	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.	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.	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 Supplied drinking water for Commercial Production of Plants and/or Animals:	 (a) Supplied drinking 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, bucket or watering can at any time; or a watering system at any time. 	 (a) Supplied drinking 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, bucket or watering can at any time; or a watering system at any time. 	(a) Supplied drinking water cannot be used at a commercial or Council plant nursery, except as required and then only: • by means of a hand-held hose, bucket or watering can at any time; or • in accordance with an approved Water Use Plan.	(a) Supplied drinking water cannot be used at a commercial or Council plant nursery, except as required and then only: • by means of a hand-held hose, bucket or watering can at any time; or • in accordance with an approved Water Use Plan.
	(b) Not used.	(b) Not used.	(b) Supplied drinking water cannot be used at a commercial market garden except as required and then only in accordance with an approved Water Use Plan.	(b) Supplied drinking water cannot be used at a commercial market garden except as required and then only in accordance with an approved Water Use Plan
	(c) Supplied drinking water cannot be used for animal husbandry except for: drinking by animals or birds; or cleaning animals or birds; or cleaning pens, yards and cages, and then only if cleaning is done by means of a hand-held hose or bucket.	(c) Supplied drinking water cannot be used for animal husbandry except for: drinking by animals or birds; or cleaning animals or birds; or cleaning pens, yards and cages, and then only if cleaning is done by means of a hand-held hose or bucket.	(c) Supplied drinking water cannot be used for animal husbandry except for: drinking by animals or birds; or cleaning animals or birds; or cleaning pens, yards and cages, and then only if cleaning is done by means of a hand-held hose or bucket.	(c) Supplied drinking water cannot be used for animal husbandry except for: drinking by animals or birds; or cleaning animals or birds; or cleaning pens, yards and cages, and then only if cleaning is done by means of a hand-held hose or bucket.
	 (d) Supplied drinking 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. 	 (d) Supplied drinking 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. 	 (d) Supplied drinking 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. 	 (d) Supplied drinking 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	Supplied drinking water must not be used for any Other Use without the prior written permission of Gippsland Water.	Supplied drinking water must not be used for any Other Use without the prior written permission of Gippsland Water.	Supplied drinking water must not be used for any Other Use without the prior written permission of Gippsland Water.	Supplied drinking water must not be used for any Other Use without the prior written permission of Gippsland Water.