

STAGE 2 water restrictions apply across Melbourne



WATERING SYSTEMS ON ODD & EVEN DATES AT SET TIMES



WATER BY HAND WATERING CAN TRIGGER NOZZLE AS NEEDED



WASH WITH A BUCKET PRESSURE CLEANER OR EFFICIENT CAR WASH



INDUSTRY: MUST COMPLETE WATER CONSERVATION PLAN

Lawns must not be watered at any time with drinking water

RESIDENTIAL GARDENS

You can water using a watering can, bucket or hand held hose fitted with a trigger nozzle as needed on any day.

Watering days apply to the use of watering systems

EVEN and no-numbered properties can water on even dates e.g. 2nd, 4th, 6th, etc. (within permitted times).

ODD numbered properties can water on odd dates e.g. 1st, 3rd, 5th, etc. (within permitted times).

Everyone can water on the 31st (within permitted times).

Watering times

Watering systems that you turn on and off by hand can be used to water plants as required on specified watering days between 6 – 8 am and 8 – 10 pm.

If someone in your household is 70 years or over you can use a manual watering system between 8 – 10 am instead of 6 – 8 am, and still between 8 – 10 pm on your specified watering days.

Watering systems that you set to operate automatically can be used to water plants as required on specified watering days between midnight – 4 am.

SPORTS GROUNDS

Councils and schools can water sportsgrounds in accordance with the times outlined in their local water businesses' Drought Response Plan or submit a Water Conservation Plan to efficiently water 100 per cent of grounds.

Special allowances are made for exempt playing surfaces which include: turf cricket wickets, golf tees and greens (not fairways), tennis courts, bowling greens, hockey pitches, running tracks and croquet greens.

VEHICLE WASHING

Cars can now be washed at home with drinking water using a bucket filled directly from a tap or a high pressure water cleaning device (a machine with a pump) only. A hand held hose fitted with a trigger nozzle **can not** be used.

You can also wash your car by using a water efficient commercial or mobile car wash. Only commercial or mobile car washes which meet water efficient requirements – meaning they use 70 litres of drinking water or less per vehicle – can operate in metropolitan Melbourne.

POOLS AND SPAS

An existing pool or spa can be topped up using a hand held hose fitted with a trigger nozzle, or a watering can or bucket, filled either by a hand held hose fitted with a trigger nozzle, or directly from a tap.

A new pool or spa of up to 2,000 litres can be filled with drinking water. However, a new pool or spa of greater than 2,000 litres must not be filled for the first time except in accordance with a Water Conservation Plan (contact your local water business for more information).

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Under Permanent Water Saving Rules, businesses using 10 megalitres of water or more per year must complete a water management action plan (waterMAP program).

Penalties and enforcement

Stage 2 water restrictions and Permanent Water Saving Rules must be followed and water patrols are out in force across Melbourne. If you breach the restrictions, you may have your water supply restricted and face fines.

To report a breach, call 13WATER (139 2837).

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