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RE USING WATER

How do you use water?	Your Water Actions			
	Not water smart	Moderately water smart	Water smart	Water Smart actions
Do you have any measures in place to save water used in the house?	No 0 Fish	1 measure 2 Fish	More than 1 measure 5 Fish	Reuse your washing machine water, place buckets in the bottom of the shower to use on the garden
Do you have a rainwater tank?	No 0 Fish	Yes, less than 2000 litres 2 Fish	Yes, more than 2000 litres 4 Fish	Rebates are available from the Government for installing rainwater tanks
Your total				= /9 Fish

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TAPS & LEAKS

How do you use water?	Your Water Actions			
	Not water smart	Moderately water smart	Water smart	Water Smart actions
Do you have any devices installed to reduce your flow rate on taps?	No 0 Fish	Yes, only on 1 tap 2 Fish	Yes, on more than 1 tap 4 Fish	Aerators or washers can be used to reduce flow rates
Your total				= /4 Fish

Water Restrictions can affect acceptable levels of water use. Please check with Lower Murray Water for details on the current restrictions.

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YOUR WATER AUDIT SUMMARY

How do you use water?	Your score	What can I do to become more water smart?	Dead-line	Done Tick
1 Garden	/13			
2 Toilet	/5			
3 Kitchen	/5			
4 Bathroom	/4			
5 Laundry	/4			
6 Re use water	/9			
7 Taps & Leaks	/4			

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SMART HOME WATER AUDIT



Are you interested in reducing your water use at home and protecting the river, lakes and oceans from pollution?

This self assessment will help you identify ways to become a better water manager of your water at home.



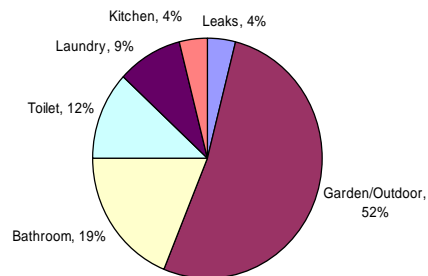
HOW TO CONDUCT YOUR WATER AUDIT


- 1 Work your way through each of the tables from 1 to 8
- 2 Each response has a 'fish' rating. Circle the number of fish that correspond to your answer and add this to 'Your Total'.
- 3 Tally up your results for each table. How do you compare?
- 4 When you have completed all the tables, use the **Water**





Audit Summary table to list your scores. Compare your fish count to the **Recommendations Table**.


Water usage in the home



1 GARDEN & OUTDOOR USE 				
How do you use water?	Your Water Actions			
	Not water smart	Moderately water smart	Water smart	Water Smart actions
How much of your garden needs regular watering?	More than 75% 0 Fish	More than 25% but less than 75% 2 Fish	Less than 25% 5 Fish	Try plants and lawn that requires less watering.
Do you use mulch on your garden?	No 0 Fish	Sometimes 2 Fish	Always 4 Fish	Mulching around plants reduces water loss
Do you have a swimming pool?	Yes, but I don't have a cover 0 Fish	Yes, with a cover used regularly 1 Fish	No 2 Fish	Swimming pools are big water users. Use a cover and check for leaks.
How do you wash your car?	In the street 0 Fish	On the lawn with a hose 1 Fish	On the lawn with a bucket 2 Fish	Wash your car less often using a bucket and recycle the water
Your total				= /13 Fish

2 TOILET 				
How do you use water?	Your Water Actions			
	Not water smart	Moderately water smart	Water smart	Water Smart actions
What type of system does your toilet have?	Single flush 0 Fish	9/4.5 litre dual flush 2 Fish	6/3 litre dual flush 5 Fish	Install a dual flush system and a water saving device
Your total				= /5 Fish

3 KITCHEN 				
How do you use water?	Your Water Actions			
	Not water smart	Moderately water smart	Water smart	Water Smart actions
How do you wash your dishes?	Dish-washer—Small loads 0 Fish	Dish-washer—full loads 2 Fish	Hand wash—full load 5 Fish	Only use the dishwasher when it is full. Try to buy water efficient products
Your total				= /5 Fish

4 BATHROOM 				
How do you use water?	Your Water Actions			
	Not water smart	Moderately water smart	Water smart	Water Smart actions
Do you have a water saving showerhead?	No 0 Fish	Don't know 0 Fish	Yes 4 Fish	Install a water efficient showerhead. This can save up 20,000 litres per year
Your total				= /4 Fish

5 LAUNDRY				
How do you use water?	Your Water Actions			
	Not water smart	Moderately water smart	Water smart	Water Smart actions
What type of washing machine do you have?	Standard top loader 0 Fish	Top loader with suds saver 2 Fish	Front loader or AAA+ rated 4 Fish	Front loader washing machines use a third less water
Your total				= /4 Fish