

Fact Sheet

PERMANENT WATER SAVING RULES



WATERING SYSTEMS CAN BE USED

6.00pm - 10.00am

On Any Day

HAND-HELD HOSES

A hand-held hose must be fitted with a trigger nozzle and can be used at any time to water gardens and lawns.

WATERING SYSTEMS

Manual watering systems (the kind you turn on or off by hand) can only be used to water gardens and lawns between 6.00pm and 10.00am on any day.

Automatic watering systems (the kind you set to turn on and off automatically) can only be used to water gardens and lawns between 6.00pm and 10.00am on any day.

WATERING DAYS

Any day means water can be used on any day of the week during the specified watering times.

VEHICLE WASHING

A hand-held hose fitted with a trigger nozzle can be used at any time for vehicle washing.

RESIDENTIAL AND COMMERCIAL GARDENS AND LAWNS

Residential or Commercial Gardens and Lawns can be watered with a hand-held hose fitted with a trigger nozzle, bucket or watering can at any time and can only be watered by means of a watering system between the hours of 6.00pm and 10.00am on any day.

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PUBLIC GARDENS AND LAWNS AND PLAYING SURFACES

Public Gardens and lawns and playing surfaces can be watered with a hand-held hose, bucket or watering can at any time and can only be watered by means of a watering system between the hours of 6.00pm and 10.00am on any day and must be fitted with a soil or rain moisture sensor.

GREYWATER, RAINWATER AND RECYCLED WATER

Greywater and recycled water can be used at any time. For guidelines on the safe use of greywater and recycled water visit www.epa.vic.gov.au. No restrictions apply to rainwater collected in a storage tank, provided it is not supplemented by the mains water supply.

WATER FOUNTAINS & WATER FEATURES

Fountain or Water Features should only be used if the fountain or water feature re-circulates the water.

CLEANING OF HARD SURFACES

Water should not be used to clean hard surfaces (including driveways, paths, concrete, tiles, timber decking) except:

- where cleaning is required as a result of an accident, fire, health hazard, safety hazard or other emergency;
- if staining to the surface has developed and then only once a season; or
- in the course of construction or renovation.

CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY

A hose must not be used unless it is:

- fitted with a trigger nozzle; and
- is in good condition and does not leak.

Exemptions

For information on exemptions to Permanent Water Saving Rules please refer to the Permanent Water Saving Plan on our website or contact our office for further information.

Penalties and Enforcement

Water Restrictions must be followed and water patrols are happening in all service areas. Penalties apply for non-compliance of the Water Restrictions and Permanent Water Saving Rules.