



LACHLAN SHIRE COUNCIL

WATER RESTRICTIONS

Council advises that **LEVEL 2 WATER RESTRICTIONS** are to continue for all town water consumers within Lachlan Shire.

With the commencement of daylight saving, effective from 2.00am **Sunday, October 4, 2009**, until further notice, *the use of fixed sprinklers by domestic consumers is strictly prohibited. Attended hand held hoses are permitted between the hours of 7.00pm till 9.00pm on odd calendar dates only.* The definition of the water restriction levels are shown overleaf. Please keep this notice handy for future reference. Under level 2 water restrictions the filling and top up of swimming pools is prohibited without a Council issued permit. Residents may wash motor vehicles *on their lawns* with the use of hand held hoses fitted with trigger nozzle or use of pressure washers during the allocated garden watering times.

Residents' cooperation is sought in conserving water to help prevent more severe restrictions being imposed. Breaches of the above restrictions could attract an on the spot fine of \$220.00 under the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005. Under Sect 637 of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2005 a maximum penalty of 20 penalty units (\$2,200) can be applied to anyone who wastes or misuses water. Repeated breaches of the restrictions may lead to restriction on water service or disconnection of water supply.

Properties that use alternative water supplies (eg stock and domestic pumps, dams, bores or tanks) are to have appropriate signage, on the property being watered, clearly visible and legible from the street. Failure to display this signage may also attract the on the spot fine.

Council would like to remind residents that the NSW State Government through the Department of Environment, Climate Change and Water (DECCW) offer rainwater tank rebates of up to \$1,500 for the installation of rainwater tanks connected to toilets and washing machine. This programme is available until 30th June 2011. Further information can be obtained from the DECCW website at www.environment.nsw.gov.au.

Your assistance in this matter is appreciated and should you require further information please contact Council's Technical Services Secretary on 6895 1966 or visit Council's website at www.lachlan.nsw.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

G.B. Cowan

General Manager

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CONSUMER ACTIVITY	WATER RESTRICTION LEVEL					
	0	1	2	3	4	5
DOMESTIC						
<i>Internal Household Use</i>	No restrictions	No restrictions	No restrictions	No restrictions	Limit 250 litres per person per day	Limit 100 litres per person per day
<i>Evaporative cooling systems</i>	No restrictions	No restrictions	No restrictions	Limit usage as much as possible - alternate cooling methods encouraged	Limit usage as much as possible - alternate cooling methods encouraged	Only with Council approval
<i>Garden Watering</i>	Fixed Sprinklers permitted to be used between hours of 4pm - 10am. Hand held hoses anytime.	Fixed Sprinklers 2hrs/day on odd calendar dates only between the hours of; 5-7pm AEST or 7-9pm daylight saving time. Hand held hoses anytime.	No Fixed Sprinklers. Hand held hoses 2hrs/day on odd calendar days only between the hours of; 5-7pm AEST or 7-9pm daylight saving time.	No Fixed Sprinklers, No hand held hoses, Buckets Only	Banned except with Council approval	Banned
<i>Swimming Pools</i>	No restrictions	Filling of pools prohibited, (top up ok)	Filling and top up of pools prohibited	Filling and top up of pools prohibited	Filling and top up of pools prohibited	Filling and top up of pools prohibited
<i>Washed Paved Areas</i>	Buckets only except as required by law	Buckets only except as required by law	Buckets only except as required by law	Banned except as required by law	Banned except as required by law	Banned except as required by law
<i>Washing Motor Vehicles</i>	No restrictions	No restrictions	Buckets or machine recirculation only excepting hand held hoses permitted when washed on lawns during allocated garden watering times	Banned except as required by law	Banned except as required by law	Banned except as required by law
PUBLIC/ COMMERCIAL						
<i>Public Gardens & Sports Grounds</i>	Fixed Sprinklers permitted to be used between hours of 3pm - 11am.	Fixed Sprinklers 2hrs/day 7.30-9.30am	Hand held hoses 2hrs/day 7.30-9.30am	Banned except with Council approval	Banned	Banned
<i>Nurseries & Commercial Growers</i>	Fixed Sprinklers permitted to be used between hours of 3pm - 11am.	Fixed Sprinklers 6hrs/day 7-10am, 5-8pm	Hand held hoses 3hrs/day either 7-10am or 5-8pm	Banned except with Council approval	Banned except with Council approval	Banned
<i>Washing Motor Vehicles</i>	No restrictions	No Restrictions	Buckets only or machine recirculation only	Banned except as required by law	Banned except as required by law	Banned except as required by law
<i>Bowling Greens</i>	Fixed Sprinklers permitted to be used between hours of 3pm - 11am.	Fixed Sprinklers 2hrs/day	Hand held hoses 2hrs/day	Banned except with Council approval	Banned	Banned
<i>Fountains</i>	No restrictions	No Restrictions	Banned	Banned	Banned	Banned
<i>Stock Watering</i>	No restrictions	No restrictions	No restrictions - encourage use of alternate water supplies	Limit 5kL per connection per day - encourage use of alternate water supplies	Banned except with Council approval	Banned
<i>Water Cartage from Town Supply</i>	No restrictions	No Restrictions	Only with Council approval	Only with Council approval - for domestic usage and stock watering usage only	Only with Council approval - for essential domestic usage only	Banned
<i>Automatic Flush Toilets</i>	No restrictions	No Restrictions	Banned	Banned	Banned	Banned
INDUSTRIAL						
<i>Ready Mixed Concrete</i>	No restrictions	No Restrictions	8hrs/day operation only	Banned except with Council approval	Banned	Banned
<i>Abattoirs</i>	No restrictions	No Restrictions	8hrs/day operation only	Banned except with Council approval	Banned	Banned
<i>Stock Watering</i>	No restrictions	No restrictions	No restrictions - encourage use of alternate water supplies	Limit 5kL per connection per day - encourage use of alternate water supplies	Banned except with Council approval	Banned
<i>Others</i>	No restrictions	No Restrictions	8hrs/day operation only	Banned except with Council approval	Banned	Banned

Notes:

Sustenance watering of un-used parks and sporting fields will take place on Mondays.

Exemptions:

Anyone seeking a variation of the restrictions will need to apply to Council in writing.

Penalties:

Use of water contrary to this notice may result in:

- Court action where a maximum penalty of up to \$2200 may be sought;
- Authorised officers may issue an on the spot penalty notice for \$220 to the owner and/or;
- A restriction on service or disconnection of water supply. (Note that in the case of restoration of supply, a reconnection fee will apply)

Privately Owned Water Supplies

If your property is supplied with water from a stock and domestic pump, dam, well or bore it is mandatory for you to display a sign clearly visible and legible from the street adjoining the property being watered whilst restrictions are in place. The notice should be large enough to be visible from the street and should state: "Stock and Domestic Pump / Dam Water / Well Water / Bore Water used on Property" (whichever applies).