

STAGE 3a WATER RESTRICTIONS APPLY TO MELBOURNE FROM 1 APRIL 2007:



**GARDEN
MANUAL
WATERING**
6 AM ► 8 AM *



**GARDEN
AUTOMATIC
WATERING**
MIDNIGHT
TILL 2 AM *



**EFFICIENT
COMMERCIAL
CAR WASH
ONLY**



**—1 IN 4—
SPORTSGROUNDS
CAN BE
WATERED**



**INDUSTRY:
WATER
SAVING RULES
TO APPLY**



**SOLUTIONS:
RAINWATER &
GREY WATER
ANYTIME**

RESIDENTIAL GARDENS

Watering Days*

Even numbered properties can water on Saturday and Tuesday.

Odd numbered properties can water on Sunday and Wednesday.

Watering is not permitted on Monday, Thursday and Friday.

Where there is no number, the property is considered an even numbered address.

Watering Times

Manual dripper systems, a hand-held hose fitted with a trigger nozzle, watering cans and buckets can be used to water gardens as required on specified watering days between 6am – 8am. Households with at least one resident aged 70 years or over may water their gardens manually on specified watering days between 6am – 8am or 8am – 10am.

Automatic dripper systems can be used to water gardens as required on specified watering days between midnight – 2am.

VEHICLE WASHING

An efficient car wash that uses 70 litres of water or less per vehicle can be used.

A bucket filled from a tap can be used to clean windows, mirrors and lights; and spot-remove corrosive substances.

SPORTS GROUNDS

Generally, 1 on 4 sportsgrounds as nominated by council and be watered. Exempt playing surface may be watered: turf cricket wickets, golf tees and greens (not fairways), tennis courts, bowling greens, hockey pitches, running tracks, croquet greens.

INDUSTRY

These will be permanent watering saving rules to come into affect after 1 April 2007. It will be mandatory for the top 1500 industrial, commercial and institutional water users to develop and implement water saving plans.

SOLUTIONS

Greywater, rainwater and recycled water can be used at anytime. For guidelines on safe use, visit www.epa.vic.gov.au. Restrictions do not apply to rainwater collected in a storage tank, provided it is not supplemented with drinking water supply.

POOLS AND SPAS

A new pool or spa of any size capacity cannot be filled with drinking water. However, a new or existing swimming pool or spa may be filled with an alternative water source such as groundwater.

An existing pool or spa of less than 2,000 litres may be filled by means of a watering can or bucket filled directly from a tap.

An existing pool or spa of greater than 2,000 litres must not be filled except in accordance with a water conservation plan (contact your local water business for more information).

An existing pool or spa must not be topped up except by means of a watering can or bucket, filled directly from a tap (not by means of a hose).

PENALTIES AND ENFORCEMENT

Stage 3a water restrictions must be followed and water patrols are out in force across Melbourne. If you are issued with a warning notice and still breach the restrictions, you may have your water supply restricted and face fines. **To report a breach, call 13WATER (139 2837).**

For a full set of Stage 3a water restrictions please visit our website at www.ourwater.vic.gov.au or contact your local water retailer.

City West Water 131 691
South East Water 131 867
Yarra Valley Water 131 721

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