

# Simplified STAGE 1 Water Restrictions are now in place...



## What you need to know

### What days and times can you water?

You can hand water gardens and lawns at any time on any day using a hand held hose fitted with a trigger nozzle.

You can use a watering system (manual, automatic, spray or dripper) only between 6 am – 10 am and 6 pm – 10 pm on your watering day.

### Watering days

Watering days are determined by your street address using a date based approach:

- Even and no-numbered properties can water on even dates e.g. 2<sup>nd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, etc. (within permitted times).
- Odd numbered properties can water on odd dates e.g. 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, etc. (within permitted times).
- Everyone can water on the 31<sup>st</sup> (within permitted times).

### Want to wash your car at home?

You can wash your car at home using a high pressure cleaning unit, a hand held hose fitted with a trigger nozzle, a bucket or watering can at any time, any day of the week.

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## Can you wash down a driveway or deck?

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No, you cannot hose down hard surfaces including driveways, paths, concrete, tiles, timber decking and other paved areas *except where cleaning is required as a result of accident, fire, health hazard or other emergency.*

## Can you wash windows and building facades?

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You can wash windows and building facades using a bucket or watering can, but you cannot use a hose on either surface.

## Can you top up pools?

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You can top up a pool or spa of any size using an automatic top up device or a hand held hose fitted with a trigger nozzle. You can fill a new or existing pool or spa, up to 2,000 litres, using the same means.

A new or existing pool or spa of greater than 2,000 litres can only be filled in accordance with a Water Use Plan. *Contact your water utility for more information.*

## What about a fountain or water feature?

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You can fill and operate your fountain or water feature as long as it recirculates the water.

**Greywater, rainwater and recycled water** can be used at any time to water gardens and lawns. For guidelines on safe use, visit [www.epa.vic.gov.au](http://www.epa.vic.gov.au).

No rules apply to rainwater collected in a storage tank, provided it is not supplemented with drinking water supply.

Exemptions are still available to establish warm season grass, visit [www.warmseasongrass.com.au](http://www.warmseasongrass.com.au)

**For a full set of Stage 1 water restrictions, information on exemptions or Water Use Plans go to one of the websites below or contact your water utility.**

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