

waterMAP

Securing Victoria's water supplies



All Victorians are being asked to reduce the amount of drinking water they use for other purposes.

A waterMAP helps commercial, industrial and institutional organisations improve water efficiency and productivity while reducing operating costs.

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Since 2007, industrial and non-residential organisations that use 10 million litres (ML) or more of water from an urban water supply each year must by law develop and implement a waterMAP (water Management Action Plan).

If your organisation operates multiple sites that each use 10 million litres or more of water each year, you must develop a waterMAP for each site.

Your waterMAP must aim to achieve industry benchmarks or reduce water use by at least 10 per cent.

You must submit a waterMAP to your water corporation each year reporting on your success in reducing water use.

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If you do not submit an annual waterMAP to your water corporation you may be substantially fined and/or water supply may be restricted to your site.

You may be exempt from submitting a waterMAP if you already participate in the Environment Protection Authority's Environment and Resource Efficiency Plans (EREP) program. Following your authorisation, the water component of the EREP will be transferred to your water corporation to be used as your waterMAP.

How a waterMAP works

Your waterMAP gives you a better understanding of how and where your organisation uses water.

It sets out your plan to improve water efficiency.

It identifies the actions you will take to save water in the short, medium and long-term.

The 7 waterMAP steps

Step 1	Calculate your current (baseline) water use
Step 2	Identify where and how you use water
Step 3	Set your water-saving target
Step 4	Identify and assess potential water-saving activities
Step 5	Complete your waterMAP
Step 6	Implement your waterMAP
Step 7	Report annually to your water corporation

Your water corporation can help

Ask your water corporation for the waterMAP guide.

This provides information and data templates you need to complete to build your waterMAP.

Your water corporation can help with each of the seven waterMAP steps.

It can also provide staff communication resources and training as well as advice on funding available to help implement water-saving activities.



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