

STAGE 3 water restrictions apply across Melbourne



MANUAL WATERING ON ODD & EVEN DATES
6 AM ▶ 8 AM *



AUTOMATIC DRIPPER ON ODD & EVEN DATES
MIDNIGHT ▶ 2 AM *



EFFICIENT COMMERCIAL CAR WASH ONLY †



INDUSTRY: MUST COMPLETE WATER CONSERVATION PLAN #



SOLUTIONS: RAINWATER & GREY WATER ANYTIME

Lawns must not be watered at any time with drinking water

RESIDENTIAL GARDENS*

Watering Days – date based approach

EVEN and no-numbered properties may water on even dates e.g. 2nd, 4th, 6th, etc. (within specified times).

ODD numbered properties may water on odd dates e.g. 1st, 3rd, 5th, etc. (within specified times).

Everyone may water on the 31st.

Watering Times

Manual Watering

Manual dripper systems, a hand-held hose fitted with a trigger nozzle, watering cans or buckets can be used to water plants as required on specified watering days between 6 am – 8 am.

If someone in your household is aged 70 years or over, you may water your plants manually at the alternate time of 8 am – 10 am.

Automatic Watering

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

SPORTS GROUNDS

Councils and schools can water sportsgrounds in accordance with the Drought Response Plan

or submit a water conservation plan. Special allowances are made for exempt playing surfaces which include: turf cricket wickets, golf tees and greens (not fairways), tennis courts, bowling greens, hockey pitches, running tracks, croquet greens.

VEHICLE WASHING†

An efficient commercial car wash that uses 70 litres of water or less per vehicle can be used. Cars may not be washed at home with drinking water.

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

INDUSTRY#

Businesses using 10 megalitres of water or more per year must complete a water conservation action plan (waterMAPs program).

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. Hoses must not be used.

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.

Penalties and enforcement

Stage 3 water restrictions must be followed and water patrols are out in force across Melbourne. If you 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 3 water restrictions please visit our website at www.ourwater.vic.gov.au or contact your local water utility.

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