## **Upper Lachlan Shire Council Level 3 Water Restrictions**

These restrictions include all residents, commercial and industrial premises of the Upper Lachlan Shire Council that have been placed under Level 3 Water Restrictions.

Using drinking water for firefighting activities is not restricted. Council has also reviewed its operational activities to minimise reticulated water usage.

#### WATER SOURCES NOT AFFECTED BY WATER RESTRICTIONS

The following water sources are not affected by water restrictions:

- Grey water (water collected after being used in washing machines, sinks and showers etc.)
- Rainwater (as long as the tank/dam isn't topped up from, or switched to, drinking water supply)
- Bore water (some government restrictions apply)
- River water (you need to have a licence)

However, many of these water sources have other controls on how they can be used and it's still important to use all water wisely.

## **Exemptions**

We can provide some customers with exemptions for water use in certain situations such as medical reasons, laying new turf, or issues with pool maintenance etc. If you wish to apply for an exemption, please contact Council for more information.

### DOMESTIC WATER RESTRICTIONS

#### Gardens and Lawns

You can water lawns and/or gardens with one hand held hose with a water cut-off trigger or control nozzle, or a drip feed system, for a maximum total of 30 minutes per day. This can only be done between 6.30pm and 7.00pm.

You can't:

- use a sprinkler, soaker hose, or mist sprayer at any time
- leave hoses and taps running unattended
- put the sprinklers on for children to play under

#### Car washing

Vehicles can be washed between 6.30pm and 7.00pm on a lawn or porous surface using buckets. The final rinse can be done with a trigger nozzle hose.

#### **External Hard Surfaces**

Cleaning driveways, paths and hardstand areas is **not** permitted except for approved health and safety reasons.

#### **Pools**

Top up only permitted where covers are fitted. Top up using a hand-held hose between 6.30pm and 7.00pm for maximum 30 minutes per day. This is NOT additional to the 30 minutes permitted for a hand held hose each day. Cover when not in use.

## COMMERCIAL/BUSINESS PREMISES WATER RESTRICTIONS

Brick/building cleaning, car detailing, car retailers, motor repairers, commercial cleaners, commercial painters

• Hand held hose with trigger nozzle or pressure washers may be used at any time.

## Building/Earthworks contractors, sand/gravel concrete suppliers

• Hand held hose with trigger nozzle or pressure washers may be used at any time.

# Cleaning of paved public areas for health or safety reasons, food preparation or consumption areas (includes public/school toilets)

• Hand held hose with trigger nozzle or pressure washers may be used at any time.

## **Health and Aged Care Facilities**

- Water can be used as required for all operational activities involving public health and safety and food preparation and consumption.
- Domestic rules apply for all garden areas.

#### Industrial

Industrial uses - water used in manufacturing

• Water can only be used for essential production or to continue core business activities

#### **Schools**

Please apply to Council for a licence.

#### **Sporting Clubs**

Please apply to Council for a licence

# Washing of licensed passenger vehicles, emergency service, food transport and garbage vehicles

• Hand held hose with trigger nozzle or pressure washers may be used at any time.

## **HOW CAN YOU TELL US ABOUT SOMEONE MISUSING WATER?**

If you see someone deliberately misusing water, you can make a report about water restrictions. Contact us on 4830 1000 or email council@upperlachlan.nsw.gov.au.