

## Level 1 (Minor)

### Private and Body Corporate Gardens:

1. Private and Body Corporate Gardens must not be watered except by means of:
  - a) Automatic or manual sprinklers that operate only between 5:00am & 9:00am and between 5:00pm & 9:00pm (on alternate days)
  - b) Microspray or drip system that operates only between 5:00pm & 9:00pm
  - c) Hand-held hose, watering can or bucket, at any time.

### Public Parks and Gardens

Public Gardens must not be waters except by means of:

- a) Microspray or drip system that operates only between 5:00pm & 9:00pm
- b) Manual sprinklers that operate only between 5:00am & 9:00am and between 5:00pm & 9:00pm
- c) Automatic sprinklers that operate only between 9:00pm & 5:00am
- d) Hand-held hose, watering can or buckets, at any time.

### Filling and Topping up Ponds

1. New ponds must not be filled for the first time without the written approval of Whitsunday Regional Council.

### Fountains/ Water Ornaments

1. Fountains and water ornaments must not operate unless they recycle the water contained.
2. Fountains and water ornaments must not be topped up or filled except topping up to their minimum operating level and then only by means of a hand-held hose or containers filled directly from taps.

### Swimming Pools and Spas

1. Private:
  - a) Existing swimming pools and spas must not be topped up except by means of a handheld hose or containers filled directly from taps
  - b) Portable wading pools must not be filled except by means of a handheld hose or containers filled directly from taps
2. Public:
  - a) Existing swimming pools and spas may be topped up at any time.

### Dams and Tanks

Dams and water storage tanks must not be filled or topped up except

- a) With the written approval of Whitsunday Regional Council
- b) In the case of tanks providing water for firefighting, public health or stock watering purposes, only to the extent necessary to reasonably provide such purposes. Tank filling in designated 'Tank

replenishment scheme' area are excluded; however use must comply with all other conservation criteria.

## **Sports Grounds**

Sports grounds must not be watered except by means of:

- a) Micro spray or drip system that operates only between 5:00pm & 9:00am
- b) Manual sprinklers that operate only between 5:00am & 9:00am and between 5:00pm & 9:00pm
- c) Automatic sprinklers that operate only between 9:00pm & 5:00am
- d) Hand held hose, watering can or buckets, at any time

## **Commercial Market Garden & Plant Nursery**

No restriction

## **Mobile Water Tankers**

Mobile water tankers, other than tankers directly used for fire fighting purposes, must not be filled with water from the water supply system except:

1. Domestic Purposes
  - a) By means of a metered fire hydrant standpipe issued by Whitsunday Regional Council for the specified time period.
2. Public street and park trees
  - a) By means of Whitsunday Regional Council tankers filled Monday to Friday at Council depots from designated metered connection points.
3. Other purposes
  - a) With written approval of Whitsunday Regional Council and by means of a metered standpipe issue for the specified time period and designated area.

## **Motor vehicle & boat dealers or detailers**

Water must not be used to clean vehicles or boats associated with a licensed or retail dealer except by means of:

- a) a hand-held hose and then only to initially wet or rinse after washing;
- b) high-pressure low-volume water blaster;
- c) watering can or buckets filled directly from a tap;
- d) commercial car wash facility.

## **Food transport vehicles**

Water must not be used to clean vehicles associated with food transport except by means of:

- a) a hand-held hose and then only to initially wet or rinse vehicles after washing
- b) watering can or buckets filled directly from a tap

- c) commercial car wash facility.

## **Other vehicles & boats**

Water must not be used to clean private and public owned vehicles and boats except by means of:

- a) a hand-held hose and then only to initially wet or rinse after washing
- b) watering can or buckets filled directly from a tap
- c) high-pressure low volume water blaster
- d) commercial car wash facility.

## **Paved areas**

Water must not be used to clean paved areas except by means of a hand-held hose, high-pressure low-volume water blaster, watering can or bucket.

## **Window cleaning**

Water must not be used to clean windows except by means of:

- a) a hand-hose;
- b) high-pressure low-volume water blaster;
- c) watering can or buckets filled directly from a tap.

## **Housing, Building & Construction industry**

Water may be used in construction, building or similar work provided activities:

- a) utilise a hand-held hose or buckets filled directly from a tap or drums filled by a hand-held hose;
- b) construction equipment that relies on a water supply for its safe and efficient operation is operated so as to prevent wastage of water;
- c) water used in the normal course for testing or flushing of pipes or similar is reused where possible;
- d) water used for curing of concrete is used efficiently.

## **Animal husbandry**

All wash-down and cleaning must be by use of a hand-held hose.

## **Meat processing**

All wash-down and cleaning must be by use of a hand-held hose.

## **Water toys / facilities**

Water toys / facilities must not be used unless supervised by a person 18 years or over to ensure water is not wasted.

## **Other purposes not listed except for domestic use, fire fighting & public health;**

Water shall not be used without the written permission of Whitsunday Regional Council.

**Notes:**

1. Microspray and drip systems shall have an operating timer fitted in accordance with the policy.
2. Any reference to approval or permission means by Whitsunday Regional Council.
3. Alternate days and purpose are as defined in the policy.
4. Handheld hoses must be under the control of or the supervision of a person 18 years or older

## Level 2 (Medium)

### Private and Body Corporate Gardens:

1. Private and Body Corporate Gardens must not be watered except by means of:
  - a) sprinklers that operate only between 6:00am & 8:00am and between 6:00pm & 8:00pm (on alternate days)
  - b) hand-held trigger hose only between 5:00am & 9:00am and between 5:00pm & 9:00pm
  - c) microspray or drip system that operates only between 6:00pm & 8:00am
  - d) watering can or bucket, at any time.

### Public Parks & Gardens

Public Gardens must not be watered except by means of:

- a) microspray or drip system that operates only between 6:00pm & 8:00am
- b) manual sprinklers that operate only between 6:00am & 8:00am and between 6:00pm & 8:00pm
- c) automatic sprinklers that operate only between 10:00pm & 4:00am;
- d) hand-held trigger hose, watering can or buckets, at any time.

### Filling & Topping Up Ponds

1. New ponds must not be filled for the first time without the written approval of Whitsunday Regional Council.
2. Existing ponds must not be topped up or filled except topping up to their minimum operating level and then only by means of a handheld hose or containers filled directly from taps.

### Fountains / Water Ornaments

1. Fountains and water ornaments must not operate unless they recycle the water contained.
2. Water lost from fountains and water ornaments must not be replaced.

### Swimming Pools & Spas

1. Private:
  - a) Newly constructed swimming pools and spas must not be filled for the first time without the written approval of Whitsunday Regional Council
  - b) Existing swimming pools and spas must not be topped up except by means of a hand-held hose or containers filled directly from taps
  - c) Portable wading pools must not be filled except by means of a hand-held trigger hose or containers filled directly from taps.
2. Public:
  - a) Newly constructed swimming pools and spas must not be filled for the first time without the written approval of Whitsunday Regional Council;
  - b) Existing swimming pools and spas may be topped up at any time.

## Dams & tanks

Dams and water storage tanks must not be filled or topped up except:

- a) with the written approval of Whitsunday Regional Council.
- b) in the case of tanks providing water for firefighting, public health or stock watering purposes, only to the extent necessary to reasonably provide such purposes. Tank filling in designated 'tank replenishment scheme' areas are excluded; however, use must comply with all other conservation criteria.

## Sports Grounds

Sports grounds must not be watered except:

1. Active playing surfaces
  - a) manual sprinklers, microspray or drip systems that operate only between 6:00am & 8:00am and between 6:00pm & 8:00pm
  - b) automatic sprinklers that operate only between 10:00pm & 4:00am
  - c) hand-held trigger hose, watering can or buckets, at any time.
2. Non-active playing surfaces
  - a) with the written approval of Whitsunday Regional Council only.

## Commercial Market Garden and Plant Nursery

No restriction

## Mobile Water Tankers

Mobile water tankers, other than tankers directly used for fire fighting purposes, must not be filled with water from the water supply system except:

1. Domestic Purposes
  - a) by means of a metered standpipe issued by Whitsunday Regional Council for the specified time period.
2. Public street & park trees
  - a) By means of Whitsunday Regional Council tankers filled Monday to Friday at Council depots from designated metered connection points;
3. Other Purposes
  - a) with the written approval of Whitsunday Regional Council and by means of a metered standpipe issued for the specified time period and designated area. Water for dust suppression is not permitted.

## **Motor Vehicle and Boat Dealers or Detailers**

Water must not be used to clean vehicles or boats associated with a licensed or retail dealer except by means of:

- a) a hand-held trigger hose and then only to initially wet or rinse after washing
- b) high-pressure low-volume water blaster
- c) watering can or buckets filled directly from a tap
- d) commercial car wash facility.

## **Food Transport Vehicles**

Water must not be used to clean vehicles associated with food transport except by means of:

- a) A hand-held trigger hose and then only to initially wet or rinse vehicle after washing
- b) Water can or bucket filled from a tap
- c) Commercial car wash facility

## **Other Vehicles and Boats**

Water must not be used to clean private and public owned vehicles and boats except by means of:

- (a) a hand-held trigger hose and then only to initially wet or rinse after washing
- (b) watering can or buckets filled directly from a tap
- (c) high-pressure low-volume water blaster
- (d) automatic commercial car wash facility that recycles at least 50% of the water used.

## **Paved Areas**

Water must not be used to clean paved areas unless cleaning is required as a result of an accident, fire, health or safety reason, construction, building or like activity, storm or other emergency.

## **Window Cleaning**

Water must not be used to clean windows except by means of a watering can or buckets filled directly from a tap.

## **Housing, Building and Construction Industry**

Water may be used in construction, building or similar work provided activities:

- a) utilise a hose fitted with a trigger device or buckets filled directly from a tap or drums filled by a hose fitted with a trigger device
- b) construction equipment that relies on a water supply for its safe and efficient operation is operated so as to prevent wastage of water
- c) water used in the normal course for testing or flushing of pipes or similar is reused where possible;
- (d) water used for curing of concrete is used efficiently.

### **Animal Husbandry**

All wash-down and cleaning hoses must be fitted with a trigger device

### **Meat Processing**

All wash – down and cleaning hoses must be fitted with a trigger device.

### **Water Toys/ Facilities**

Water toys/ facilities must not be used unless supervised by a person 18 years or over to ensure water is not wasted.

### **Other Purposes Not Listed Except for Domestic Use, Fire Fighting and Public Health**

Water shall not be used without the written permission of Whitsunday Regional Council.

### **Notes:**

1. Micro spray and drip systems shall have an operating timer fitted in accordance with the policy.
2. Any reference to approval or permission means by Whitsunday Regional Council.
3. Alternate days and purpose are as defined in this policy
4. Handheld hoses must be under the control of or the supervision of a person 18 years or older.



## Level 3 (High)

### Private and Body Corporate Gardens

1. Private and Body Corporate Gardens (excluding areas of grass or lawn within a Private or Body Corporate Garden) must not be watered except by means of:
  - a) microspray or drip system that operate only between 8:00pm (on alternate days) and 6:00am on the following day;
  - b) hand-held trigger hose only between 6:00am & 7:00am and between 6:00pm & 7:00pm
  - c) watering can or bucket, at any time.
2. The grass or lawn areas of Private or Body Corporate Gardens must not be watered except by means of:
  - a) hand-held trigger hose only between 6:00am & 7:00am and between 6:00pm & 7:00pm Sprinklers are not permitted.

### Public Parks and Gardens

Public Gardens must not be watered except by means of:

- a) microspray or drip systems that operate only between 8:00pm & 12:00 midnight
- b) sprinklers only with the written approval of Whitsunday Regional Council
- c) lawn and grass areas only with the written approval of Whitsunday Regional Council
- d) hand-held trigger hose, watering can or buckets, at any time.

### Filling and Topping Up Ponds

1. New ponds must not be filled
2. Existing ponds must not be topped up or filled up except topping up to their minimum operating level and then only by means of a hand-held hose or containers filled directly from taps.

### Fountains/ Water Ornaments

1. Fountains and water ornaments must not operate except with the written approval of Whitsunday Regional Council.

### Swimming Pools and Spas

1. Private:
  - a) Newly constructed swimming pools and spas must not be filled for the first time without the written approval of Whitsunday Regional Council;
  - b) Existing swimming pools and spas must not be topped up or filled except topping up to their minimum operating level and then only by means of a hand-held hose or containers filled directly from taps on any day but only between the hours of 6am & 7am and 6pm & 7pm..
  - c) Portable wading pools must not be filled or topped up.

## 2. Public:

- a) Newly constructed swimming pools and spas must not be filled for the first time without the written approval of Whitsunday Regional Council;
- b) Existing swimming pools and spas must not be topped up without the written approval of Whitsunday Regional Council.

## Dam and Tanks

Dams and water storage tanks must not be filled or topped up except:

- a) with the written approval of Whitsunday Regional Council;
- b) in the case of tanks providing water for fire fighting, public health or stock watering purposes, only to the extent necessary to reasonably provide such purposes. Tank filling in designated 'tank replenishment scheme' areas are excluded; however use must comply with all other conservation criteria

## Sports Grounds

Sports grounds must not be watered except

1. Active playing surfaces
  - a) microspray or drip systems that operate only between 6:00am & 8:00am and between 6:00pm & 8:00pm;
  - b) manual & automatic sprinklers only with the written approval of Whitsunday Regional Council;
  - c) hand-held trigger hose, watering can or buckets, at any time.
2. Non-active playing surfaces
  - a) with the written approval of Whitsunday Regional Council only.

## Commercial Market Garden and Plant Nursery

Water must not be used for watering any garden, stock seeds or for product, except by means of:

- a) microspray or drip system;
- b) sprinklers that operate only between the hours of 9:00pm to 6:00am;
- c) handheld trigger hose, watering can or bucket, at any time.

## Mobile Water Tankers

Mobile water tankers, other than tankers directly used for fire fighting purposes, must not be filled with water from the water supply system except with the written approval of Whitsunday Regional Council. Other purposes are not permitted.

## Motor Vehicle and Boat Dealers or Detailers

Water must not be used to clean vehicles or boats associated with a licensed or retail dealer except on Monday of each week or immediately prior to delivery of a vehicle / boat upon sale to a customer and only by means of:

- a) a hand-held trigger hose and then only

## Food Transport Vehicle

Water must not be used to clean vehicles associated with food transport except by means of:

- a) a hand-held trigger hose and then only to initially wet or rinse vehicles after washing;
- b) watering can or buckets filled directly from a tap;
- c) automatic commercial car wash facility that recycles at least 50% of the water used

## Other Vehicles and Boats

Water must not be used to clean private and public owned vehicles and boats except on a Sunday of each week and by means of:

- a) a hand-held trigger hose and then only to initially wet or rinse after washing;
- b) watering can or buckets filled directly from a tap;
- c) high-pressure low-volume water blaster;
- d) automatic commercial car wash facility that recycles at least 50% of the water may be used on any day;
- e) Out-board motors may be flushed clean after use

## Paved Areas

Water must not be used to clean paved areas unless cleaning is required as a result of an accident, fire, health or safety reason, construction, building or like activity, storm or other emergency.

## Window Cleaning

Water must not be used to clean windows except by means of a watering can or buckets filled directly from a tap.

## Housing, Building and Construction Industry

Water may be used in construction, building or similar work provided activities:

- a) utilise a hose fitted with a trigger device or buckets filled directly from a tap or drums filled by a hose fitted with a trigger device;
- b) construction equipment that relies on a water supply for its safe and efficient operation is operated so as to prevent wastage of water;
- c) water used in the normal course for testing or flushing of pipes or similar is reused where possible;
- d) water used for curing of concrete is used efficiently.

## Animal Husbandry

All wash down and cleaning hoses must be fitted with a trigger device.

## Meat Processing

All wash down and cleaning hoses must be fitted with a trigger device.

## **Water Toys / Facilities**

Water toys / facilities must not be used unless water is recirculated in its operation.

## **Other Purposes Not Listed Except For Domestic Use, Fire Fighting and Public Health**

Water shall not be used without written permissions of Whitsunday Regional Council.

## **Notes**

1. Microspray and drip systems shall have an operating timer fitted in accordance with the policy.
2. Any reference to approval or permission means by Whitsunday Regional Council.
3. Alternate days and purpose are as defined in the policy.
4. Handheld hoses must be under the control of or the supervision of a person 18 years or older.

## Level 4 (Critical)

### Private and Body Corporate Gardens:

1. Private and Body Corporate Gardens (excluding areas of grass or lawn within a Private or Body Corporate Garden) must not be watered except by means of:
  - a) watering can or bucket filled directly from taps only between 6:00am & 7:00am and between 6:00pm & 7:00pm.
2. The grass or lawn areas of Private or Body Corporate Gardens must not be watered at any time. Sprinklers and hoses are not permitted. Garden hoses must not be connected to taps.

### Public Parks & Gardens;

Public Gardens must not be watered except with the written approval of Whitsunday Regional Council.

### Filling & topping up ponds;

1. New ponds must not be filled.
2. Existing ponds must not be topped up or filled unless such ponds sustain fish or bird life and then only by means of a hand-held hose or containers filled directly from taps.

### Fountains / water ornaments;

1. Fountains and water ornaments must not operate except with the written approval of Whitsunday Regional Council.

### Swimming pools & spas;

1. Private:
  - a) Newly constructed swimming pools and spas must not be filled;
  - b) Existing swimming pools and spas must not be filled or topped up;
  - c) Portable wading pools must not be filled or topped up.
2. Public:
  - a) Newly constructed swimming pools and spas must not be filled;
  - b) Existing swimming pools and spas must not be topped up without the written approval of Whitsunday Regional Council.

### Dams & tanks;

Dams and water storage tanks must not be filled or topped up except:

- a) with the written approval of Whitsunday Regional Council; (
- b) in the case of tanks providing water for fire fighting, public health or stock watering purposes, only to the extent necessary to reasonably provide such purposes. Tank filling in designated 'tank replenishment scheme' areas are excluded; however use must comply with all other conservation criteria.

## **Sports grounds;**

Sports grounds must not be watered at any time except the active playing surfaces and then only with the written approval of Whitsunday Regional Council.

## **Commercial market garden & plant nursery;**

Water must not be used for watering any garden, stock seeds or for product, except by means of:

- a) microspray or drip system;
- b) sprinklers with the written approval of Whitsunday Regional Council only;
- c) hand-held trigger hose, watering can or bucket, at any time.

## **Mobile water tankers;**

Mobile water tankers, other than tankers directly used for fire fighting purposes, must not be filled with water from the water supply system except with the written approval of Whitsunday Regional Council.

## **Motor vehicle & boat dealers or detailers;**

Water must not be used to clean vehicles or boats associated with a licensed or retail dealer except:

- a) with the written approval of Whitsunday Regional Council;
- b) automatic commercial car wash facility that recycles at least 50% of the water used.

## **Food transport vehicles;**

Water must not be used to clean vehicles associated with food transport except by means of: -

- a) a hand-held trigger hose and then only to initially wet or rinse vehicles after washing;
- b) (b) watering can or buckets filled directly from a tap;
- c) (c) automatic commercial car wash facility that recycles at least 50% of the water used.

## **Other vehicles & boats;**

Water must not be used to clean private and public owned vehicles and boats except where required for public health and safety reasons or where permanent damage may occur if not rinsed with fresh water (eg. flushing out-board motors).

## **Paved areas;**

Water must not be used to clean paved areas unless cleaning is required as a result of an accident, fire, health or safety reason, construction, building or like activity, storm or other emergency.

## **Window cleaning;**

Water must not be used to clean windows except by means of a watering can or buckets filled directly from a tap.

## **Housing, Building & Construction industry;**

Water may be used in construction, building or similar work provided activities:

- a) utilise a hose fitted with a trigger device or buckets filled directly from a tap or drums filled by a hose fitted with a trigger device;
- b) construction equipment that relies on a water supply for its safe and efficient operation is operated so as to prevent wastage of water;
- c) water used in the normal course for testing or flushing of pipes or similar is reused where possible;
- d) water used for curing of concrete is used efficiently.

## **Animal husbandry;**

All wash-down and cleaning hoses must be fitted with a trigger device.

## **Meat processing;**

All wash-down and cleaning hoses must be fitted with a trigger device.

## **Water toys / facilities;**

Water toys / facilities must not be used without the written permission of Whitsunday Regional Council and is subject to water being recirculated in its operation.

## **Other purposes not listed except for domestic use, fire fighting & public health;**

Water shall not be used without the written permission of Whitsunday Regional Council.

## **Notes**

1. Microspray and drip systems shall have an operating timer fitted in accordance with the policy.
2. Any reference to approval or permission means by Whitsunday Regional Council.
3. Alternate days and purpose are as defined in the policy.
4. Handheld hoses must be under the control of or the supervision of a person 18 years or older