

## Water Saving Measures at each Water Restriction level

Excerpt from the Rous County Council Regional Water Supply Drought Management Plan (Table 13).

Minor amendments made for clarification, 9 January 2020.

### Residential and Non-Residential Premises – Indoor Use

ID	Restriction type <sup>1</sup>	Level 1 – 60%	Level 2 – 45%	Level 3 – 30%	Level 4 – 20%	Emergency – 10%
I1	Showers, toilets, taps, washing machines.	All users are requested to conserve water wherever possible.	All users are requested to conserve water wherever possible.	All users are requested to conserve water wherever possible.	Essential uses only.	Essential uses only.

### Residential Urban and Rural Premises – Outdoor Use

ID	Restriction type <sup>1</sup>	Level 1 – 60%	Level 2 – 45%	Level 3 – 30%	Level 4 – 20%	Emergency – 10%
R1	Watering of established gardens.	Watering cans or buckets permitted at any time.	Watering cans or buckets permitted at any time.	Watering cans or buckets permitted at any time.	Not permitted.	Not permitted.
		Irrigation systems can be used for a maximum of 15 minutes and hand-held hoses can be used for 1 hour every second day, before 9.00am or after 4.00pm, on odd or even days matching house numbering system. <i>No watering permitted on the 31st of the month.</i>	Irrigation systems can be used for a maximum of 15 minutes and hand-held hoses can be used for 30 minutes every second day, before 9.00am or after 4.00pm, on odd or even days matching house numbering system. <i>No watering permitted on the 31st of the month.</i>	Use of hand-held hoses for a maximum of 10 minutes, every second day, before 9.00am or after 4.00pm, on odd or even days matching house numbering system. <i>No watering permitted on the 31st of the month.</i>	Not permitted.	Not permitted.
		All hand-held hoses must be fitted with an on/off nozzle.	All hand-held hoses must be fitted with an on/off nozzle.	All hand-held-hoses must be fitted with an on/off nozzle.	Not permitted.	Not permitted.
		Other irrigation and unattended hoses banned.	Other irrigation and unattended hoses banned.	Other irrigation and unattended hoses banned.	Not permitted.	Not permitted.
R2	Watering of established lawns.	Not permitted.	Not permitted.	Not permitted.	Not permitted.	Not permitted.

**Residential Urban and Rural Premises – Outdoor Use**

ID	Restriction type <sup>1</sup>	Level 1 – 60%	Level 2 – 45%	Level 3 – 30%	Level 4 – 20%	Emergency – 10%
R3	Watering of new turf, lawns and gardens.	Watering in permitted for 1 hour only on the day of establishment. Then 1 hour daily before 9.00am and after 4.00pm for 14 days after the date of establishment.	Watering in permitted for 1 hour only on the day of establishment. Then 30 minutes daily before 9.00am and after 4.00pm, for 7 days after the date of establishment.	Watering in permitted for 30 minutes only on the day of establishment. Then 15 minutes every second day, before 9.00am and after 4.00pm, on odd or even days matching house numbering system for 7 days after the date of establishment. <i>No watering permitted on the 31st of the month.</i>	Not permitted.	Not permitted.
	Topping up and refilling of existing swimming pools and spas.	Topping up to maintain filter function permitted before 9.00am and after 4.00pm using hand-held hose fitted with an on/off nozzle. Emptying and refilling of pools/spas not permitted.	Topping up to maintain filter function permitted before 9.00am and after 4.00pm using hand-held hose fitted with an on/off nozzle. Emptying and refilling of pools/spas not permitted.	Topping up permitted if required to reduce structural damage before 9.00am and after 4.00pm using hand-held hose fitted with an on/off nozzle. Emptying and refilling of pools/spas not permitted.	Topping up permitted if required to reduce structural damage before 9.00am and after 4.00pm using hand-held hose fitted with an on/off nozzle. Emptying and refilling of pools/spas not permitted.	Not permitted.
R5	Filling of new registered swimming pools and spas.	Permitted.	Permitted. Rainwater tank must be used for pool/spa top up.	Permitted if required to avoid structural damage. Prior approval of your local council is required. Rainwater tank must be used for pool/spa top up.	Prior approval of your local council is required.	Not permitted.
R6	Water play pools, toys and slides.	Not permitted.	Not permitted.	Not permitted.	Not permitted.	Not permitted.
R8	Pet care/washing.	Provision of drinking water permitted. Washing pets and pet pens with bucket or hand-held hose fitted with an on/off nozzle permitted before 9.00am and after 4.00pm.	Provision of drinking water permitted. Washing pets and pet pens with bucket or hand-held hose fitted with an on/off nozzle permitted before 9.00am and after 4.00pm.	Provision of drinking water permitted. Washing pets and pet pens with bucket permitted before 9.00am and after 4.00pm. Use of hose not permitted.	Provision of drinking water permitted. Washing pets and pet pens with bucket permitted before 9.00am and after 4.00pm. Use of hose not permitted.	Provision of drinking water permitted.
R9	Fountains, ponds, water features, outdoor aquaria.	Operation or top up not permitted except to maintain fish life. Installation and filling of new facilities not permitted.	Operation or top up not permitted except to maintain fish life. Installation and filling of new facilities not permitted.	Operation or top up not permitted except to maintain fish life. Installation and filling of new facilities not permitted.	Operation or top up not permitted except to maintain fish life. Installation and filling of new facilities not permitted.	Not permitted.

### Residential Urban and Rural Premises – Outdoor Use

ID	Restriction type <sup>1</sup>	Level 1 – 60%	Level 2 – 45%	Level 3 – 30%	Level 4 – 20%	Emergency – 10%
R10	Washing of driveways, paved areas, rooves, walls, windows and paths.	Permitted prior to sale or lease of property only with approval from your local council. Not permitted for any other reason except for health and safety. Efficient high pressure, low flow rate cleaners with trigger control are to be used.	Permitted prior to sale or lease of property only with approval from your local council. Not permitted for any other reason except for health and safety. Efficient high pressure, low flow rate cleaners with trigger control are to be used.	Not permitted except for health and safety reasons by registered cleaning businesses only.	Not permitted.	Not permitted.
R11	Car/vehicle washing.	Watering cans or buckets permitted at any time. Hand-held hoses permitted before 9.00am or after 4.00pm, on odd or even days matching house numbering system. <i>No watering permitted on the 31st of the month.</i> Efficient high pressure, low flow rate cleaners with trigger control are to be used if possible.	Watering cans, buckets or hand-held hoses permitted for 10 minutes only before 9.00am or after 4.00pm, on odd or even days matching house numbering system. <i>No watering permitted on the 31st of the month.</i> Efficient high pressure, low flow rate cleaners with trigger control are to be used if possible.	Efficient high pressure, low flow rate cleaners with trigger control permitted for 5 minutes before 9.00am or after 4.00pm, on odd or even days matching house numbering system. <i>No watering permitted on the 31st of the month.</i>	Not permitted.	Not permitted.
R12	Washing of boats, boat motors and trailers used in salt water.	Permitted for 10 minutes at any time.	Permitted for 10 minutes at any time.	Permitted for 5 minutes at any time.	Not permitted.	Not permitted.

### Public Facilities (including Schools, Sports Clubs & Community Organisations) – Outdoor Use

ID	Restriction type <sup>1</sup>	Level 1 – 60%	Level 2 – 45%	Level 3 – 30%	Level 4 – 20%	Emergency – 10%
P1	Public swimming pools.	Topping up permitted. Log of water use required. Emptying and refilling of pools not permitted.	Topping up permitted before 9.00am or after 4.00pm using hand-held hose fitted with an on/off nozzle. Log of water use required. Emptying and refilling of pools not permitted.	Topping up permitted, if required to reduce structural damage or ensure filter efficiency, before 9.00am or after 4.00pm using hand-held hose fitted with an on/off nozzle. Log of water use required. Emptying and refilling of pools not permitted.	Topping up permitted, if required to reduce structural damage or ensure filter efficiency, before 9.00am or after 4.00pm using hand-held hose fitted with an on/off nozzle. Log of water use required. Emptying and refilling of pools not permitted.	Not permitted.

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P2	Public water play facilities.	Operation or top up not permitted unless water is recirculated. Log of water use required.	Operation or top up not permitted unless water is recirculated. Log of water use required.	Operation or top up not permitted unless water is recirculated. Log of water use required.	Not permitted.	Not permitted.
P3	Irrigation of sports grounds, playing fields and golf fairways.	Not permitted.	Not permitted.	Not permitted.	Not permitted.	Not permitted.
P4	Cricket pitches, bowling greens and golf greens.	Sprinklers or hand-held hoses permitted 1 hour per day before 9.00am and after 4.00pm. Alternative times to be approved by your local council.	Sprinklers or hand-held hoses permitted 30 minutes per day before 9.00am and after 4.00pm. Alternative times to be approved by your local council.	Sprinklers or hand-held hoses permitted 15 minutes per day before 9.00am and after 4.00pm. Alternative times to be approved by your local council.	Not permitted.	Not permitted.
P5	Public outdoor showers, beach showers and outdoor taps.	Permitted.	Permitted.	Permitted.	Not permitted.	Not permitted.
P6	Public gardens, council parks and reserves.	Sprinklers or hand-held hoses permitted 1 hour per day between 5.00am and 7.00am. Alternative times to be approved by your local council.	Sprinklers or hand-held hoses permitted 30 minutes per day between 5.00am and 7.00am. Alternative times to be approved by your local council.	Not permitted.	Not permitted.	Not permitted.

**Business and Commercial Premises – Outdoor Use**

ID	Restriction type <sup>1</sup>	Level 1 – 60%	Level 2 – 45%	Level 3 – 30%	Level 4 – 20%	Emergency – 10%
B1	Existing swimming pools and spas.	Topping up permitted. Log of water use required. Emptying and refilling of pools not permitted.	Topping up permitted before 9.00am and after 4.00pm using hand-held hose fitted with an on/off nozzle. Log of water use required. Emptying and refilling of pools not permitted.	Topping up permitted, if required to reduce structural damage or ensure filter efficiency, before 9.00am and after 4.00pm using hand-held hose fitted with an on/off nozzle. Log of water use required. Emptying and refilling of pools not permitted.	Topping up permitted, if required to reduce structural damage or ensure filter efficiency, before 9.00am and after 4.00pm using hand-held hose fitted with an on/off nozzle. Log of water use required. Emptying and refilling of pools not permitted.	Not permitted.

## Business and Commercial Premises – Outdoor Use

ID	Restriction type <sup>1</sup>	Level 1 – 60%	Level 2 – 45%	Level 3 – 30%	Level 4 – 20%	Emergency – 10%
B2	New swimming pools and spas.	Filling permitted.	Permitted. Rainwater tank must be used for pool/spa top up.	Permitted if required to avoid structural damage or ensure filter efficiency. Prior approval from your local council is required. Rainwater tank must be used for pool/spa top up.	Prior approval from your local council is required.	Not permitted.
B3	Water play facilities, water parks.	Operation or top up not permitted unless water is recirculated. Log of water use required.	Operation or top up not permitted unless water is recirculated. Log of water use required.	Operation or top up not permitted unless water is recirculated. Log of water use required.	Not permitted.	Not permitted.
B4	Fountains, ponds, water features, outdoor aquariums.	Operation or top up not permitted except to maintain fish life. Installation and filling of new facilities not permitted.	Operation or top up not permitted except to maintain fish life. Installation and filling of new facilities not permitted.	Operation or top up not permitted except to maintain fish life. Installation and filling of new facilities not permitted.	Operation or top up not permitted except to maintain fish life. Installation and filling of new facilities not permitted.	Not permitted.
B5	Irrigation of sports grounds, playing fields and golf fairways.	Not permitted.	Not permitted.	Not permitted.	Not permitted.	Not permitted.
B6	Cricket pitches, tennis courts, bowling greens and golf greens.	Sprinklers or hand-held hoses permitted 1 hour per day between 5.00am and 7.00am. Alternative times to be approved by your local council.	Sprinklers or hand-held hoses permitted 30 minutes per day between 5.00am and 7.00am. Alternative times to be approved by your local council.	Sprinklers or hand-held hoses permitted 15 minutes per day between 5.00am and 7.00am. Alternative times to be approved by your local council.	Not permitted.	Not permitted.
B7	Garden watering.	Sprinklers permitted 1 hour per day before 9.00am and after 4.00pm. Alternative times to be approved by your local council.	Sprinklers or sprays permitted 30 minutes per day before 9.00am and after 4.00pm. Alternative times to be approved by your local council.	Not permitted.	Not permitted.	Not permitted.
B8	Watering of established lawns.	Not permitted.	Not permitted.	Not permitted.	Not permitted.	Not permitted.

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B9	Watering of new turf, lawns and gardens.	Watering-in permitted for 1 hour only on the day of establishment. Then 1 hour daily before 9.00am and after 4.00pm for 14 days after the date of establishment.	Watering-in permitted for 1 hour only on the day of establishment. Then 30 minutes daily before 9.00am and after 4.00pm for 7 days after the date of establishment.	Watering-in permitted for 30 minutes only on the day of establishment. Then 15 minutes every second day after before 9.00am and after 4.00pm, on odd or even days matching house numbering system, for 7 days after the date of establishment. <i>No watering permitted on the 31st of the month.</i>	Not permitted.	Not permitted.
B10	Pet care, animal husbandry.	Provision of drinking water permitted. Washing animals with bucket or hand-held hose fitted with an on/off nozzle permitted before 9.00am and after 4.00pm. Cleaning of pens with high pressure cleaning unit permitted.	Provision of drinking water permitted. Washing animals with bucket or hand-held hose fitted with an on/off nozzle permitted before 9.00am and after 4.00pm. Cleaning of pens with high pressure cleaning unit permitted.	Provision of drinking water permitted. Washing animals with bucket or hand-held hose fitted with an on/off nozzle permitted before 9.00am and after 4.00pm. Cleaning of pens with high pressure cleaning unit permitted.	Provision of drinking water permitted. Washing animals with bucket or hand-held hose fitted with an on/off nozzle permitted before 9.00am and after 4.00pm. Cleaning of pens with high pressure cleaning unit permitted.	Provision of drinking water permitted.
B11	Commercial car wash.	Efficient high pressure, low flow rate cleaners with trigger control are to be used. Log of water use required.	Efficient high pressure, low flow rate cleaners with trigger control are to be used. Log of water use required.	Water must be recirculated and efficient high pressure, low flow rate cleaners with trigger control are to be used. Log of water use required.	Water must be recirculated and efficient high pressure, low flow rate cleaners with trigger control are to be used. Log of water use required.	Not permitted.
B12	Motor vehicle dealers, car detailing/repair.	Efficient high pressure, low flow rate cleaners with trigger control are to be used. Log of water use required.	Buckets permitted. Efficient high pressure, low flow rate cleaners with trigger control permitted every second day between 6.00am and 8.00am on odd or even days matching house numbering system. <i>No watering permitted on the 31st of the month.</i> Log of water use required.	Buckets permitted. Efficient high pressure, low flow rate cleaners with trigger control permitted every second day between 6.00am and 8.00am on odd or even days matching house numbering system. <i>No watering permitted on the 31st of the month.</i> Log of water use required.	Not permitted.	Not permitted.



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B13	Washing of buses, taxis, food transport, emergency services, garbage vehicles, construction vehicles, livestock transport vehicles.	Efficient high pressure, low flow rate cleaners with trigger control are to be used. Log of water use required.	Buckets permitted. Efficient high pressure, low flow rate cleaners with trigger control permitted every second day before 9.00am and after 4.00pm on odd or even days matching house numbering system. <i>No watering permitted on the 31st of the month.</i> Log of water use required.	Buckets permitted. Efficient high pressure, low flow rate cleaners with trigger control permitted every second day before 9.00am and after 4.00pm on odd or even days matching house numbering system. <i>No watering permitted on the 31st of the month.</i> Log of water use required.	Not permitted.	Not permitted.
B14	Washing of driveways, paved areas, rooves, walls and paths.	Permitted prior to sale or lease of property only with approval from your local council. Not permitted for any other reason except for health and safety. Efficient high pressure, low flow rate cleaners with trigger control are to be used.	Permitted prior to sale or lease of property only with approval from your local council. Not permitted for any other reason except for health and safety. Efficient high pressure, low flow rate cleaners with trigger control are to be used.	Not permitted except for health and safety reasons by registered cleaning businesses only.	Not permitted.	Not permitted.
B15	Window cleaning.	Buckets permitted at any time. Hand-held hoses or high pressure cleaners not permitted.	Buckets permitted at any time. Hand-held hoses or high pressure cleaners not permitted.	Buckets permitted at any time. Hand-held hoses or high pressure cleaners not permitted.	Buckets permitted at any time. Hand-held hoses or high pressure cleaners not permitted.	Not permitted.
B16	Road works and land development.	Permitted for compaction and dust suppression only.	Permitted for essential compaction and dust suppression only. Encourage use of non-potable supplies.	Permitted for essential compaction and dust suppression only. Encourage use of non-potable supplies.	Permitted for essential compaction and dust suppression only. Encourage use on non-potable supplies.	Not permitted.
B17	Cleaning of construction sites.	Efficient high pressure, low flow rate cleaners with trigger control are to be used.	Efficient high pressure, low flow rate cleaners with trigger control are to be used.	Efficient high pressure, low flow rate cleaners with trigger control are to be used.	Sprinklers or sprays permitted 30 minutes per day before 9.00am and after 4.00pm. Alternative times to be approved by your local council.	Not permitted.

**Business and Commercial Premises – Outdoor Use**

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B18	Market gardens, orchards, nurseries, commercial flower gardens, turf farms.	Sprinklers or sprays permitted 2 hours per day before 9.00am and after 4.00pm. Alternative times to be approved by your local council.	Sprinklers or sprays permitted 1 hour per day before 9.00am and after 4.00pm. Alternative times to be approved by your local council.	Sprinklers or sprays permitted 30 minutes per day before 9.00am and after 4.00pm. Alternative times to be approved by your local council.	Sprinklers or sprays permitted 30 minutes per day before 9.00am and after 4.00pm. Alternative times to be approved by your local council.	Not permitted.



**All Non-Residential Uses**

ID	Restriction type <sup>1</sup>	Level 1 – 60%	Level 2 – 45%	Level 3 – 30%	Level 4 – 20%	Emergency – 10%
N1	All non-residential potable water use.	All users are required to conserve water in accordance with the Level 1 water saving measures.	All users are required to conserve water in accordance with the Level 2 water saving measures. Water management plan to be prepared.	Consumption in accordance with approved Water Management Plan only.	Consumption in accordance with approved Water Management Plan only.	Not permitted.

<sup>1</sup> The restrictions apply to use of potable water only and include rainwater tanks that are topped-up with potable town water. The use of standalone rainwater / bore water and/or recycled water is not restricted but must be identified by signage at the location of water use