



Fact Sheet

SUSTAINABLE WATER MANAGEMENT

Water Restrictions

Further to the Level 3 water restrictions that came into effect 1 January 2007, Minister for Water Security Karlene Maywald, announced that South Australia will be required to adopt more stringent restrictions on outside domestic watering.

Effective temporarily, Level 3 enhanced restrictions impact on domestic use, however they do not impact on the water restrictions for sport. These remain unchanged (as per Level 3) enabling watering to take place one day per week between 8pm and 8am without prior approval of SA Water. *The sport and recreation industry is encouraged to water responsibly i.e. please water as required, not because you can.*

Refer to the SA Water website for full details relating to Level 3 enhanced water restrictions ([click here](#)).

Water Management Information

A number of fact sheets and resources have been developed by various organisations to provide further information in regard to sustainable water management. Please click on the links below to access this information:

[Water Wise in the Community](#) (SA Water)

[Sustainable Water Practices for Sport and Recreation](#) (Sport and Recreation Victoria)

[Water Conservation Best Practice Guide for Clubs](#) (Sydney Water/Clubs NSW)

[Watercare](#)

[Good Practice Match Day Checklists](#) (Sport and Recreation Victoria/University of Ballarat)

[Climate Change](#) (Western Australian Department of Sport and Recreation)

The Federal Government has also developed several [fact sheets](#) relating to the following topics:

- Greywater reuse
- Rainwater collection and use
- Reuse of treated wastewater
- Stormwater reuse
- Water audits
- Water savings

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Relevant Grants Programs

As a result of the Australian Government 2008/09 Budget, there will be no further funding rounds of the Community Water Grants program. This will not affect the delivery of the many worthwhile Community Water Grants projects already approved which are helping the community take action to use water more wisely. Click on the following link for more information on [Community Water Grants Scheme](#).

There were over 300 projects in South Australia that were approved for funding before the Australian Government 2008/09 Budget was released. To view the successful South Australian recipients [click here](#).

A new grant scheme through the Foundation for Regional and Rural Renewal has been established where up to \$5,000 is available per application (from a total pool of \$850,000). Communities with less than 10,000 people will be given priority through the [Small Grants For Small Communities](#) program. Applications can be submitted for:

- Community hardship in drought affected areas.
- Community infrastructure.

Please note conditions may apply.

In addition, the Federal Government has introduced a new initiative, [National Solar Schools Program](#), to replace the current Green Vouchers for Schools Program. Every school throughout Australia is eligible to apply for up to \$50,000 in funding to install 2-kilowatt solar panels and a range of energy and water efficiency measures such as:

- lighting upgrades
- sky lights
- shade awnings
- solar hot water systems, and
- rainwater tanks

The new National Solar Schools Program will be in place from 1 July 2008. The Green Vouchers for Schools Program will remain open for claims until the new program begins. For more information please [click here](#).

A guide listing current national, state-wide and locally available grants and other assistance measures is available on the SA Drought link website. Go to: www.service.sa.gov.au/drought.asp

The Office for Recreation and Sport provides funding for capital works (this includes sustainable water management projects) through the **Active Club Program** and the **Community Recreation and Sports Facilities Program**.

The second round of Active Club Program for 2007/08 financial year has closed. The first round of the 2008/09 Active Club Program will open on Saturday 6 September 2008 and close at 5.15pm on Monday 20 October 2008.

The 2007/08 round of the Community Recreation and Sports Facilities Program has closed. It is anticipated that the 2008/09 round will open in July/August 2008. Please note conditions may apply. For more information go to the [Grants section](#) of the Office for Recreation and Sport website.

SA Water offer [rebates](#) for tap timers, water efficient showerheads and flow restrictors. The Home Rebate Scheme has now been extended to include not-for-profit and charitable organisations for eligible indoor goods (showerheads, washing machines, dual flush toilets). Please note conditions may apply.

Further Information and Useful Contacts

Refer to the Department of Health [Drought Package](#) website for fact sheets and guidelines on options such as bore water / rain water quality testing, using bore water safely, bulk carting of drinking water, rainwater quality and bushfires, blue green algae, bucketing of greywater, and installation of domestic greywater systems.