

Level 3

Water Conservation Measures

Level 3 measures apply to the following areas:

Mirani, Gargett, Marian, Finch Hatton and Pinnacle.

Residents	
Private Gardens	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Private Gardens (excluding areas of grass or lawn within a Private Garden) must not be watered except by means of: - <ol style="list-style-type: none"> microspray or drip system that operate only between 8:00pm (on alternate days) and 6:00am on the following day; hand-held trigger hose only between 6:00am & 7:00am and between 6:00pm & 7:00pm; watering can or bucket, at any time. The grass or lawn areas of Private Gardens must not be watered except by means of: - <ol style="list-style-type: none"> hand-held trigger hose only between 6:00am & 7:00am and between 5:00pm & 7:00pm. <p>Sprinklers are not permitted.</p>
Filling and topping up ponds	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> New ponds must not be filled. Existing ponds 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.
Fountains / water ornaments	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Fountains and water ornaments must not operate except with the written approval of Mackay Regional Council.
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 Mackay Regional Council. Other Purposes are not permitted.
Swimming pools and spas	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Private: - <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Newly constructed swimming pools and spas must not be filled for the first time without the written approval of Mackay Regional Council; 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 and 7am and 6pm & 7pm. Portable wading pools must not be filled or topped up.
Dams and tanks	Dams and water storage tanks must not be filled or topped up except: - <ol style="list-style-type: none"> with the written approval of Mackay Regional Council; 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. <p>Tank filling in designated 'tank replenishment scheme' areas are excluded; however use must comply with all other conservation criteria.</p>
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: - <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a hand-held trigger hose and then only to initially wet or rinse after washing; watering can or buckets filled directly from a tap; high-pressure low-volume water blaster; automatic commercial car wash facility that recycles at least 50% of the water may be used on any day; out-board motors may be flushed clean after use.
Paved areas/Driveways	Water must not be used to clean paved/driveways 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.
House/Window cleaning	Water must not be used to clean houses or windows except by means of a watering can or buckets filled directly from a tap.
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 the written permission of Mackay Regional Council.

- Note:**
- Microspray and drip systems shall have an operating timer fitted in accordance with the policy.
 - Any reference to approval or permission means by Mackay Regional Council.
 - Alternate days means:
 - Properties with an odd street number may water on Wednesday, Friday and Sunday;
 - Properties with an even street number may water on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday;
 - Properties without a Council prescribed street number may water on Wednesday, Friday and Sunday.
 - Handheld hoses must be under the control of or the supervision of a person 16 years or older.

Business	
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 Mackay Regional Council; (c) lawn and grass areas only with the written approval of Mackay Regional Council; (d) hand-held trigger hose, watering can or buckets, at any time.
Swimming pools and spas	1. Public: - (a) Newly constructed swimming pools and spas must not be filled for the first time without the written approval of Mackay Regional Council; (b) Existing swimming pools and spas must not be topped up without the written approval of Mackay Regional Council.
Dams and tanks	Dams and water storage tanks must not be filled or topped up except: - (c) with the written approval of Mackay Regional Council; (d) 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 Mackay City Council; (c) hand-held trigger hose, watering can or buckets, at any time. 2. Non-active playing surfaces (a) with the written approval of Mackay 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 on the following day; (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 Mackay 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 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) 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) high-pressure low-volume water blaster; (c) watering can or buckets filled directly from a tap; (d) 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/Driveways	Water must not be used to clean paved/driveways 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.
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 or container filled directly from a tap.
Meat processing	All wash-down and cleaning hoses must be fitted with a trigger device or container filled directly from a tap.
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