

Sportsgrounds can water in accordance with water restrictions or Permanent Water Saving Plan rules. Detailed information is available from South Gippsland Water's website www.sgwater.com.au.

During staged restrictions (excluding Stage 4) schools and councils can water outside of allowed watering times, subject to submitting a Water Use Plan to South Gippsland Water for approval. The plan must identify the actions proposed to achieve a water usage reduction across their sportsgrounds.

At the completion of the application form, please attach a list of all outdoor recreation assets.

If this application is for a school, then clear evidence of your water conservation efforts within the school will be favourably considered.

Applicant Details:		
Organisation:		
Contact Name & Title:		
Address:		
	Post code:	
Address where exemption is sought [i	if different from above]	
	Post code:	
[Business]		
[Mobile]		
Email address:		
Office Use Only: Exemption application submitte	ed at:	
Stage: Date:		

General Notes

This form provides examples of responses that could be given within each section. It is expected that you complete this form accurately detailing the specific strategies and actions that will be used to manage the sportsground to achieve water savings.

- (i) As a demonstration of compliance with your plan, please provide the anticipated savings as both a:
 - a. volume (kilolitres 1000 litres) and
 - b. percentage based on any continuous 12 month cycle falling within the period of Permanent Water Use Rules.
- (ii) A review will be undertaken to validate the actual savings achieved under this plan.

Use of this Plan

- (i) This plan is intended to be used by owners / managers of sportsground where sport is played (including council, school & private sports fields).
- (ii) It is intended to share the data gathered about the sportsground with other grounds managers to seek best practice in ground management, unless you indicate your preference not to do so in section 4.
- (iii) As a condition of approval watering between the hours of 10.00 am and 6.00 pm will not be permitted
- (iv) Requirements for plans on exempt playing surfaces will be handled on a case by case basis.



Water Efficiency Objectives – Section 1

Please specify your proposed objectives:

Examples

Prioritise ground watering based on:

- Significance of competition or event being played;
- Number of matches or games played;
- Type of activity (e.g. practice/ training venue);
- Ground sub-surface drainage;
- Ground construction type (e.g. sand based, soil or clay).

Long term plan to shift away from cool season grass (e.g. Rye) playing fields to drought resistant warm season grasses (e.g. Couch/ Kikuyu) or synthetic grass.

Review and reduce water usage across the whole Council/School (e.g. water banking):

- Install water efficient fittings in buildings and pavilions;
- Wider use of mulch on garden beds;
- Schools must implement other water savings initiatives identified through formalised programs such as the Sustainable Schools Program.

Create a sportsground management plan.

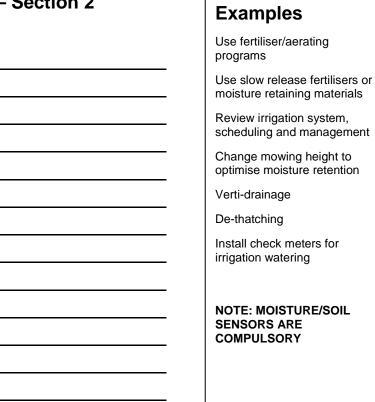
Introduce supplementary water supplies:

- Groundwater;
- Recycled water;
- Rainwater tank;
- Greywater reuse systems;
- River diversions;
- Dam supply.



Site Irrigation Efficiency Actions – Section 2

Please specify your proposed objectives:





Sportsground Use Plan Data

Town:			School:	School:						
Name of ground:			Address o	Address of ground:						
Type of ground construction (sandy or clay soil)	Area of grass (m2)	Type of grass	Type of irrigation (auto/manual)	Freq of use (High/Med/Low)	Meter size	Meter number(s)	Average annual water usage (kl)	Other water used (e.g. bore)		

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Please specify:

- 1. Provide sportsground data in an Excel spreadsheet (mandatory).
- 2. Provide sportsground information as follows:
 - Number of grounds irrigated by mains water _
 - Number of grounds not irrigated (by mains water) at all ______
 - Number of grounds irrigated by an alternate water supply (recycled, rainwater tank etc.) ______
 - Number of other grounds e.g. synthetic turf _____
- 3. Participate in sharing of data with other ground managers to establish best practice (optional) I will int permit my data & practices to be shared.
- 4. Average total water usage for sportsgrounds per annum (in kilolitres): ____
- 5. Revised annual water usage for sportsgrounds per annum (in kilolitres): ____

I agree that the strategies and actions specified within this Water Use Plan are a true reflection of our intentions and that we will use best endeavours to ensure that the water savings outlined will be achieved.

Signed CEO or School Principal:

_ Date: /	/	
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