



Water Smart Actions

FROM 19 OCTOBER 2023

RECOMMENDED FOR OUTDOORS

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| Lawns & Gardens | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Water out of the heat of the day• For a maximum of 3 hours per day total (includes lawns & gardens)• Ensure water from sprinklers or watering systems does not land on hard surfaces• Check weather forecast and soil moisture before watering <p>For gardens:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Use mulch to reduce moisture loss (7-10 cm deep)• Choose plants with low water requirements (e.g. natives, drought tolerant species)• Group plantings with similar water needs to avoid over watering• Install and use a rainwater tank• Water trees less frequently but deeply; when planting, create a water well around the base or vertically install a pipe to ensure water goes directly to the roots |
| Cars | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Wash at home on lawn where possible using a bucket and trigger nozzle on hose• At registered car washes at any time |
| Swimming Pools | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Use a pool cover |
| Bird Baths/Play Pools & Garden Features | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Topping up and filling is permitted• Reuse play pool water on garden beds where safe to do so |
| Outdoor Surfaces (e.g. driveways/footpaths) | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Wash for health and safety purposes or prior to painting• Wash only in immediately affected area and with a high pressure/low volume water device |

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| <p>Indoor Activities</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Keep showers to a minimum • Use a bucket in the sink or shower to collect water while waiting for hot water – use this water for watering your garden or for other indoor use • Check taps, fittings, and toilets for leaks – repair any leaks immediately • Use water efficient fittings and appliances • Only do full loads of laundry • Run dishwasher only when full • Turn the tap off while you brush your teeth or shave • Check your water meter – if the numbers or triangle are turning and you aren't using water, you have a leak • Check your rates notice to see how much water you use – try and reduce it |
| <p>Business & Community Services (Non-residential)</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Undertake above actions within normal business operations • Improve water efficiency and running costs by preparing a Water Efficiency Plan |

Water Smart actions form the foundation of the Bathurst Water Savings Action Plan

and are an important strategy to conserve water at all times.

Residential, commercial, industrial, and public users are all encouraged to adopt **Water Smart** actions as a minimum.

For more information and tips visit
bathurst.nsw.gov.au/sustainablebathurst

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WATER *Let's make it last.*

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