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Using Water From A Standpipe

From Monday 15 December 2008, all standpipes in the Greater Bendigo area will require electronic access keys – a system known as AvData Australia. Customers previously using tokens will need to apply for an AvData key to access water from the standpipe. Tokens are no longer valid. Unused tokens can be redeemed from the City of Greater Bendigo until 31 March 2009.



- Place key on panel to activate
- Light will come on
- Press 'ON' button
- Press "OFF" button to stop flow of water
- Light will flash to indicate only 1,000 litres remaining on key and requires top up – private carters only

For private carters the 'Not Valid' light will appear if funds have run out on the key.

Commercial carters will receive accounts from AvData Australia.

Management of Standpipes

From 15 December 2008, the City of Greater Bendigo will hand over management of all standpipes located in the Bendigo area to Coliban Water.

This will allow customers to have a one-stop-shop for Water Carter Permits, water purchases from standpipes, and all matters related to the operation of the standpipes in the greater Bendigo area. All the remaining standpipes within our region will continue to operate under current management arrangements. For a full listing of standpipe locations and management arrangements visit www.coliban.com.au and click on *Standpipes*.

Who Needs a Permit?

A water carter permit is required to take water from a public standpipe if the standpipe is in an area under Water Restrictions ByLaw No 10. Commercial water carters and private individuals must have a permit.

If your application is approved you will receive by post a windscreen permit to apply to your vehicle, and also a permit card which you must present when requested by an officer of Coliban Water. Application forms are available from our website - www.coliban.com.au

Restrictions on use

All water accessed from a standpipe needs to be used in accordance with the water restriction level in place for that region. Signs are in place at all standpipes detailing the level of restriction in place.

For information on what restriction level is in place and the approved water uses visit www.coliban.com.au and click on the link to *Water Restrictions*.

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Stage 3 water restrictions summary Coliban System Northern - Bendigo & Heathcote areas only

For full details, refer to our website – www.coliban.com.au and click on *Water Restrictions*.

Water used from standpipes under this restriction shall be in accordance with the following:

<p>Gardens and lawns (private) and Commercial Accommodation</p>	<p>Watering lawns or grass – by any means at any time – is banned.</p> <p>Garden areas (other than lawn) may be watered by a manual dripper system, hand-held hose fitted with a trigger mechanism or a watering can or bucket between 6am-8am and 5pm-7pm; or an automated dripper system between midnight and 4am, on permitted days* only.</p> <p>NOTE: no other sprinkler systems are permitted.</p> <p>PERMITTED DAYS* means:</p> <p>Sunday and Wednesday for odd numbered properties</p> <p>Saturday and Tuesday for even numbered and un-numbered properties</p> <p>No watering on Monday, Thursday and Friday</p>
<p>Public Gardens</p>	<p>Watering lawns or grass – by any means at any time – is banned.</p> <p>Garden areas (other than lawn) may be watered by a manual dripper system, hand-held hose fitted with a trigger mechanism or a watering can or bucket between 6am-10am and 8pm-midnight; or an automated dripper system between midnight and 8am, on permitted days* only.</p> <p>NOTE: no other sprinkler systems are permitted.</p>
<p>Vehicles (including motor vehicle dealers)</p>	<p>Wash and rinse from a bucket to clean vehicle windows, mirrors & lights only.</p> <p>Only commercial car washes which use less than 70 litres per vehicle where water is drawn from the Coliban Water reticulated water system and where an approved Water Conservation Plan has been approved may be used.</p>
<p>Swimming pools and spas (residential and commercial)</p>	<p>All previous exemptions are void. Cannot be filled without prior written approval from Coliban Water. Can be topped up by bucket only.</p>
<p>Mobile Water Tankers</p>	<p>Fill anytime for firefighting, construction, inside dwelling, stock watering or public health reasons, or other uses consistent with Stage 3 requirements.</p> <p>A tanker permit from Coliban Water is required.</p>
<p>Dams and tanks</p>	<p>Dams, tanks or like containers must not be filled or have their water added to or replaced, unless the water is to be used for in-house domestic, stock, firefighting purposes, or with written permission of Coliban Water.</p>
<p>Poultry Sheds</p>	<p>Must not be cooled using sprinklers, unless shed temperature reaches 30 degrees, and then only between 6am - 9pm.</p> <p>Fogging systems may be used anytime.</p>
<p>Sports grounds</p>	<p>Watering banned on all non-exempt playing surfaces (e.g. grassed oval or fairway). Exempt playing surfaces (e.g. cricket pitch, tennis court, golf & bowling green, running track) can be watered by manual dripper systems between 6am-10am and 8pm-midnight, or an automated dripper system which operates between midnight and 8am on a needs basis, or by a hand-held hose fitted with a trigger nozzle between 6am-10am on permitted days*.</p>
<p>Plant Nurseries and Market Gardens</p>	<p>Use of automated or manual watering system with written approval of Coliban Water only. Can use a hand-held hose fitted with a trigger mechanism, or bucket, anytime.</p>