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## SPECIAL SUPPLEMENT

### SYDNEY WATER ACT 1994 (NSW)

### SYDNEY WATER REGULATION 2006 (NSW)

#### Notice of Water Restrictions

IT being in the public interest, for the purpose of maintaining the water supply, NOTICE is given in accordance with clause 15(1) of Part 3 of the Sydney Water Regulation 2006 of the following water restrictions, known as Water Wise Rules.

This notice takes effect at 12.01am on 22 June 2009 and rescinds all previous notices of water restrictions under the Sydney Water Regulation 2006. The water restrictions listed below remain in force until further notice; apply in the whole of the area of operations of Sydney Water Corporation; apply to all users of water supplied by Sydney Water Corporation and have effect despite the provisions of any contract relating to the supply of water by the Corporation.

All business exemption permits in relation to previous water restrictions are hereby revoked.

For the purpose of section 50 of the Sydney Water Act 1994, I appoint as authorised persons those officers of Sydney Water Corporation who from time to time are issued with Certificates of Authority by Sydney Water Corporation and who, from time to time are required by Sydney Water Corporation to enforce water restrictions following written instructions issued to the officers to that effect.

Subject to the exclusions below, the following uses of water supplied by Sydney Water Corporation within its area of operations are not permitted at any time:

- by means of sprinklers, other watering systems or hoses without a trigger nozzle
- by means of hoses for the hosing of paths, driveways, concrete and other paved areas;
- by means of hoses for the application of water to lawns and gardens
- by means of fire fighting hoses except for fire fighting purposes or fire service testing.

The following uses are excluded from the restrictions:

- Watering of lawns and gardens before 10am and after 4pm on any day using a hand-held hose fitted with a trigger nozzle, sprinklers or watering systems including drip irrigation systems
- Use of a hand held hose fitted with a trigger nozzle, sprinklers or other watering systems at any time by commercial nurseries, market gardeners, commercial growers, landscapers, mobile garden contractors and persons responsible for the maintenance of community gardens, bowling greens, cricket wickets, golf tees and greens, croquet, hockey, tennis and racing surfaces
- Use of sprinklers or watering systems for the establishment of new lawn and gardens at any time for 14 days from the date of installation
- Use of water for the purpose of cooling people or animals
- Hosing of paths, driveways, concrete and other paved areas when cleaning with water is necessary for reasons (readily identifiable to an authorised person) of safety, health, emergency, construction activity or surface discoloration. Any use of water under this category of exclusion, which occurs as a part of any business undertaking, must be regulated so that the flow rate does not exceed 10 litres per minute, the hose used must be fitted with a trigger nozzle unless it is used to supply high pressure water cleaning equipment.

- Washing of vehicles using a hose fitted with a trigger nozzle, high pressure water cleaning equipment, a bucket and sponge, or a watering can
- Washing of building structures, including windows, walls, gutters and roofing using a hose fitted with a trigger nozzle or high pressure water cleaning equipment
- The use of bore water; recycled water or rainwater except when the tank used for storage has also been supplied from Sydney Water's potable supply. The only exception is when the supply to the tank is for a purpose approved by Sydney Water.
- The use of water for fire fighting or any other essential approved purpose
- The use of water in exceptional circumstances but only after an application in the approved form has been submitted to Sydney Water, the approval of Sydney Water has been obtained and the use is in accordance with any conditions which Sydney Water has attached to its approval. Sydney Water is authorised for the purposes of this category of exclusion to determine all such applications and from time to time to formulate both general and particular conditions of exclusion.

NOTE: The penalty prescribed for non-compliance with these restrictions is \$220 for an individual and \$550 for a corporation

Sydney Water Corporation is authorised to determine definitions of matters and equipment relating to water restrictions and to make these definitions available publicly.

The Hon PHILLIP COSTA, M.P.,  
Minister for Water  
Minister for Regional Development