

WARREN SHIRE COUNCIL

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Office of the Mayor

All Warren Shire Residents

Dear Resident,

Re: Transition to Modified Level 3 Water Restrictions to come into effect 19th March 2019 (Transition period 19th March to 31st May 2019)

I am writing to you to advise that Council resolved on the 28th February 2019 to introduce modified Level 3 Water Restrictions as of the 19th March 2019.

Council has had discussions with the State water agencies to review the long-term outlook for water in the Macquarie River Catchment and storage at Burrendong Dam. The advice at this time indicates that the Macquarie River flows will continue to decrease. Councils along the Macquarie River are moving to introduce Level 3 Water Restrictions, to help to reduce water usage. Warren Shire Council is also subject to similar restrictions and watering of parks, gardens, levy banks and playing fields will be reduced in line with the restrictions.

Council wants to transition to modified Level 3 Water Restrictions over the period of 19th March to the 31st May 2019. This will allow residents to become used to the restrictions and to arrange for alternative methods of lawn and garden watering. **Full Level 3 Water Restrictions will commence from 1st June 2019.**

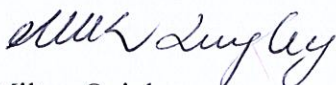
As can be seen from the attached document, modified Level 3 Restrictions have quite a comprehensive list of restrictions, Council will be monitoring the compliance with these restrictions to help reduce the water usage.

Council asks that residents use the odds and evens system. This means that if the street number of your property is odd you can water in accordance with the restrictions on odd days. If your property has an even number, you can water in accordance with the restrictions on even days.

I would like to request your assistance and support in transitioning to modified Level 3 Water Restrictions. On the last occasion water restrictions were necessary, in late 2006 I believe, it only took a couple of months for sufficient inflows to occur to allow the lifting of restrictions.

Let's hope that significant widespread rain occurs, and the same thing happens this time

Yours faithfully,



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13th March 2019



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Modified Level 3 Water Restrictions

Level 3 water restrictions will be introduced for all areas of Warren Shire Council including Nevertire and Collie from 19 March 2019.

Gardens and Lawns

Garden beds, trees, shrubs and lawns may be watered with micro-sprays, drip systems and soaker hoses only between the hours of 7am-10am and between 4pm and 7pm every second day (daylight savings time: 6am-9am and 6pm-9pm) under odds and evens system (see below).

Pop up sprinklers can be used on the odd or even days from 4pm-7pm (6pm-9pm DST).

Watering of new turf is allowed for one week after laying, after which time, level 3 restrictions apply.

Garden Water Features - Topping up and filling of water features is permitted.

Walls and Paved Areas - Not allowed

Motor Vehicles

Washing Vehicles at home is allowed any day. Vehicles must be washed on the lawn with a bucket.

Swimming Pools and External Spas

First fill and topping up of swimming pools and external spas is allowed any day between 7am-9am and between 6pm-8pm.

Bore Water, Rainwater and Water from other sources

Home owners are encouraged to use all water conservatively.

If the water source (e.g. tank) is topped up from Council's water supply system, these level 3 restrictions must be adhered to.

Business Water Use - Businesses are required to comply with level 3 water restrictions.

Odds & Evens System Explained

This means that if the street number of your property is **odd** you can water in accordance with the restrictions on **odd days**. If your property has an **even** number you can water in accordance with the restrictions on **even days**.

If your property has a range of street numbers then it should be treated as **odd or even** as per the first number in the range e.g. if your property is **12 - 15** Smith Street then you can water on an **even day** in accordance with the restrictions.

If your property has no street number then it should be treated an **even** property e.g. if your property is "Tara" then you can water with **even days** in accordance with the restrictions.

Note: These restrictions may result in fines.