



## Peaceful Bay Water Use Policy

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## 1. POLICY STATEMENT

The Shire provides a non-potable water supply to over 200 leasehold lots on Deposited Plan 220017, Peaceful Bay.

Council recognises the importance of conserving water resources and maintaining an adequate and consistent water supply to the leasehold properties of Peaceful Bay.

To help achieve this, the CEO may implement temporary use or permanent water efficiency measures, as necessary, and in accordance with this policy.

## 2. OBJECTIVE

The purpose of this policy is to provide a framework and guidelines with respect to any temporary water use restrictions or permanent water efficiency measures.

## 3. DEFINITIONS

**Chief Executive Officer** means the CEO of the Shire of Denmark.

**Permanent Water Efficiency Measure (PWEM)** are measures that are ongoing.

**Shire** means Shire of Denmark.

**Temporary Water Use Restrictions (TWUR)** are short term measures.

**Water supply** means non-potable water provided by the Shire from a groundwater aquifer delivered via a bore and associated infrastructure.

## 4. SCOPE

This policy applies to all users of the non-potable water supply provided by the Shire of Denmark to the leasehold lots on Deposited Plan 220017, Peaceful Bay.

The Peaceful Bay Caravan Park has specific limited exemptions that are aligned with the Water Corporations *Water Agencies (Water Use) By-laws 2010*.

## 5. POLICY

### 5.1 Permanent Water Efficiency Measures

PWEMs are established to ensure ongoing best practice for the efficient use of water.

The Shire applies the Water Corporation's Waterwise program to the use of the Peaceful Bay non-potable reticulated water supply. The Water Corporation's Waterwise program is based on the *Water Agencies (Water Use) By-laws 2010*.

Specific watering days and times are designated for the use of sprinklers, hoses, and other watering devices.

PWEMs may include:

- Restricting the use of sprinklers,
- A winter sprinkler switch off; and/or
- Sprinkler rosters.

## 5.2 Temporary Water Use Restrictions

TWURs will be imposed to ensure sustainability and continuity of the water supply in times of drought or emergency to reduce demand and conserve water for essential needs.

Any TWURs may be in addition to PWEMs.

TWURs may include:

- Sprinkler bans; or
- Stopping water supply.

## 6. PRIVATE BORE USE

There are currently no daily restrictions on the use of private bores (outside of Perth and Mandurah) however, lessees are encouraged to acknowledge that,

**Water is a shared resource, and its responsible use is essential to protecting the natural environment and public open spaces. Adherence to designated water days supports sustainable water management for the benefit of the community.**

— *Water Corporation*

## 7. COMMUNICATION OF RESTRICTIONS

The CEO will ensure that any permanent and/or temporary water supply restrictions are communicated with the Peaceful Bay Progress Association and on the Shire's website. It is the responsibility of each leaseholder to keep up to date with restrictions that may change from time to time.

## 8. COMPLIANCE

The CEO will ensure that water supply use is monitored through regular inspections and community reporting mechanisms.

In accordance with the Shire's *Public Places and Local Government Property Local Law 2026* [Part 5, Division 4], failing to comply with water use measures may result in a financial penalty.

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