Sportsgrounds can water in accordance with water restrictions or Permanent Water Use Rules. Detailed information is available from your water utility's website.

During staged restrictions (excluding Stage 4) schools and councils can water outside of allowed watering times, subject to submitting a Water Use Plan to their local water utility for approval. The plan must identify the actions proposed to achieve a water usage reduction across their sportsgrounds.

At the completion of the application form, please attach a list of all outdoor recreation assets.

If this application is for a school, then clear evidence of your water conservation efforts within the school will be favourably considered. For example, previous participation in the Schools Water Efficiency Program (SWEP) or the Water - Learn it! Live it! education program.

Note: Under Stage 2 & 3 restrictions, areas other than exempt playing surfaces, such as lawn areas, passive open space/parkland/playground, must not be watered at any time.

Applicant Details

Organisation:	
Contact Name & Title:	
Contact Number (Bus):	
Mobile Number:	
Email address:	
Address	
Postcode:	Melways Ref:

Water utilities may audit property or facilities for compliance at any time.

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General Notes

This form provides examples of responses that could be given within each section. It is expected that you complete this form accurately detailing the specific strategies and actions that will be used to manage the sports field to achieve water savings.

- (i) As a demonstration of compliance with your plan. please provide the anticipated savings as both a:
 - a. volume (kilolitres - 1000 litres) and
 - b. percentage based on any continuous 12 month cycle falling within the period of Permanent Water Use Rules.
- (ii) Both parties agree that the savings shown in the following sheets are indicative only and provide an approximate savings per annum.
- (iii) A review will be undertaken to validate the actual savings achieved under this plan.

Use of this Plan

- (i) This plan is intended to be used by owners / managers of sports fields where sport is played (including council, school & private sports fields).
- (ii) It is intended to share the data gathered about the sports field with other grounds managers to seek best practice in ground management, unless you indicate your preference not to do so in section 4.
- (iii) As a condition of approval watering between the hours of 10.00 am and 6.00 pm will not be permitted
- (iv) Requirements for plans on exempt playing surfaces will be handled on a case by case hasis





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Section 1

Water Efficiency Objectives Please specify your proposed objectives:	
	Examples
	Prioritise ground watering based on: Significance of competition or event being played Number matches/games played Type of activity (e.g. practice/training venue) Ground sub-surface drainage Ground construction type (e.g. sand based, soil or clay)
	Long term plan to move away from cool season grass (e.g. Rye) playing fields to drought resistant warm season grasses (e.g. Couch/ Kikuyu) or synthetic grass.
	Review and reduce water usage
	across the whole Council/School (e.g. water banking) Install water efficient fittings in
	buildings and pavilionsWider use of mulch on garden
	 Schools must implement other water savings initiatives identified through formalised programs such as the Sustainable Schools Program
	Create a sports field management plan. Introduce supplementary water supplies:
	Groundwater
	Recycled water
	Rainwater tank
	Greywater reuse systems
	River diversions
	Dam supply
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Section 2

Site Irrigation Efficiency Actions Please specify your proposed actions:	
	Examples
	Use fertiliser/aerating programs
	Use slow release fertilisers or moisture retaining materials
	Review irrigation system, scheduling and management
	Change mowing height to optimise moisture retention
	Verti-drainage
	De-thatching
	Install check meters for irrigation watering
	NOTE: MOISTURE/SOIL SENSORS ARE COMPULSORY
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