

# Application for a Water-Use Licence or Water-Use Registration

Application Number:  
**WUA 1 6 1 8 8 3**

## Form 23

Application for Minister's approval to obtain a Water-Use Licence (under section 64O of the *Water Act 1989*) or to obtain a Water-Use Registration (under section 64AR of the *Water Act 1989*);

**1. Are you applying for:**

- water-use licence (WUL) - for irrigation
- water-use registration (WUR) - not for irrigation.

**2. What annual use limit (AUL) are you applying for?**  **ML** (Note: this is subject to Water Corporation assessment)

**3. Do you have an existing allocation bank account (ABA) that you would like your WUL/WUR linked with?**

- NO. I would like to open a new ABA. (Go to question 4)
- YES. Please provide the account number:  **A**  **B**  **A**

**Is the nominated ABA linked to a water share?**

- NO. (Go to question 4)
- YES. An application to associate the water share to the WUL/WUR is required. Please provide the application number.

**W**  **E**  **V**

**4. Will new works or systems need to be installed to deliver water to the land?**

- YES. A Works Licence application is required. Please provide the application number below.

**W**  **L**  **I**

- NO, there are existing works to deliver water to the land. Please provide your Works Licence number below.

**W**  **L**  **E**

- NO, water will be delivered directly to the land by a Water Corporation either through a delivery share or under casual-use provisions. Please provide your delivery share / assessment number below.

**5. Please list the volume/folio reference number(s) of the land you wish to use the water on and attach copy(s) of the relevant land title(s).**

	Volume	Folio		Volume	Folio
i.	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	vi.	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
ii.	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	vii.	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
iii.	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	viii.	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
iv.	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	ix.	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
v.	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	x.	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

**WATER-USE REGISTRATIONS ONLY**

**6. The purpose for which the water will be used is (tick one box in either section a OR section b);**  
Refer to explanatory notes 12 to 16 for more details and contact your Water Corporation for more information if required.

**Section a**

- General (please specify)
- [Southern Rural Water customers only] Domestic and stock
- Intensive animal husbandry     Industrial or commercial     Aquaculture     Dewatering
- Other (please specify)

**Section b**  Environmental watering     Delivery / transmission losses     Rural / urban residential     Construction

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**WATER-USE LICENCES ONLY**

7. Is there an existing WUL for the land described in question 5?

YES. Please provide the application number to cancel the existing water-use licence.

**B** **S** **M**

NO. Please provide an Irrigation and Drainage Plan.

8. Total area to be irrigated:  ha

9. Please specify the proposed crop type:

10. Would you like to elect that your application must be referred for assessment under Irrigation and Development Guidelines?

YES  NO

**SIGNATURE(S)**

11. For water-use licences and any water-use registrations with a purpose listed in section 6a, all registered land owners must sign.  
For water-use registrations with a purpose listed in section 6b, the applicant must sign here to declare they are a prescribed person under s.64APAA of the Act. **Please print name(s) in full and in capital letters.** If there is insufficient space please complete the annexure.

GIVEN NAME(S)	SURNAME	SIGNATURE
i. <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Postal Address: <input type="text"/>		
Phone Number: <input type="text"/>	e-Mail: <input type="text"/>	
ii. <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Postal Address: <input type="text"/>		
Phone Number: <input type="text"/>	e-Mail: <input type="text"/>	
iii. <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Postal Address: <input type="text"/>		
Phone Number: <input type="text"/>	e-Mail: <input type="text"/>	
iv. <input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Postal Address: <input type="text"/>		
Phone Number: <input type="text"/>	e-Mail: <input type="text"/>	

Dated  **DD**  **MM**  **YY**

**LODGING PARTY (if applicable)**

The lodging party may be a water broker or solicitor coordinating the application. Complete this section for the lodging party to receive correspondence.

GIVEN NAME(S)	SURNAME
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Postal Address: <input type="text"/>	
Party ID <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>	Phone Number <input type="text"/>
e-Mail: <input type="text"/>	

# Annexure to Form 23

**TO BE COMPLETED BY THE APPLICANT/LAND OWNER(S) IF MORE THAN FOUR (4)**

Continued from question 11 (if applicable).

GIVEN NAME(S)	SURNAME	SIGNATURE
v.		
Postal Address:		
Phone Number:	e-Mail:	
vi.		
Postal Address:		
Phone Number:	e-Mail:	
vii.		
Postal Address:		
Phone Number:	e-Mail:	
viii.		
Postal Address:		
Phone Number:	e-Mail:	

Dated

**TO BE COMPLETED IF ANY APPLICANT OR LAND OWNER IS A COMPANY**

Please ensure you attach an ASIC company extract that is not more than 12 months old. Signature(s) must be in accordance with the company extract.

**1. Name of Company** **ABN**

Postal Address:	
Dated <input style="width:40px;" type="text" value="DD"/> <input style="width:40px;" type="text" value="MM"/> <input style="width:40px;" type="text" value="YY"/>	

GIVEN NAME(S)	SURNAME	SIGNATURE	POSITION

**2. Name of Company** **ABN**

Postal Address:	
Dated <input style="width:40px;" type="text" value="DD"/> <input style="width:40px;" type="text" value="MM"/> <input style="width:40px;" type="text" value="YY"/>	

GIVEN NAME(S)	SURNAME	SIGNATURE	POSITION

# EXPLANATORY NOTES: APPLICATION FOR A WATER-USE LICENCE OR A WATER-USE REGISTRATION

## General

1. A water-use licence (WUL) is for irrigation. It also allows a range of other standard purposes including animal husbandry, industrial or commercial, aquaculture and dewatering. The total area to be irrigated may be the same as the total area of the parcel/s (as per the land titles) or it may be less than the total area of the parcels.
2. A water-use registration (WUR) is for purposes other than irrigation. These include intensive animal husbandry, industrial or commercial, aquaculture and dewatering.
3. In certain circumstances, for the purpose of environmental watering, delivery/transmission losses, rural/urban residential or construction, prescribed persons (under s.64APAA of the Water Act 1989) may also apply for a water-use registration.
4. If you have a water-use registration you may also apply to have a WUL on the same land parcel. However, each parcel can only have one WUL and one WUR.
5. If you are applying for a WUL or WUR and that parcel of land already has an existing licence or registration, you must submit an Application to Cancel the Water-Use Licence/Water-Use Registration (Form 25) before the application for a new licence or registration can be processed.
6. This application facilitates the granting of a WUL or WUR for one or more parcels of land where those parcels are contiguous. The land volume/folios provided must be for the land on which water is to be used. The volume/folios must be as per the land title.
7. If there is a transfer of ownership of part of the land specified in the WUL or WUR, the existing licence or registration will be deemed to be cancelled on the day the transfer of ownership of the land takes place. You can apply for a new WUL or WUR before the land transfer however, it will not be approved until the transfer of land is recorded by the Land Registrar. Please contact your Water Corporation for further information.
8. You may nominate an existing ABA to link to the WUL/WUR, however if that ABA is linked to a water share, the water share must be associated with the land covered by the WUL/WUR. For this reason you must also apply to associate that water share with the new WUL/WUR (Form 9) and provide the application number at Q3 on this form.
9. If you are applying for a WUL or WUR, and works are required, you must have a Works Licence or evidence that you have applied for a works licence (an application number) and the *Application for a Works Licence* (Form 29) must be submitted before the application for a new WUL or WUR can be processed. If works are not required, (as water will be delivered directly to the land by a Water Corporation under casual-use provisions) you will need to provide your delivery share/assessment number. Your delivery share/assessment number will be as per your invoice from the Water Corporation.
10. If you are applying for a WUL to irrigate land not previously covered by a WUL, an 'Irrigation and Drainage Plan' must accompany your application. The Irrigation and Drainage Plan must be developed in accordance with the Water Corporation's "New Irrigation Development Guidelines." These can be obtained from your Water Corporation.
11. A copy of the land title(s) must be provided with your application (for all land which the WUL/WUR is to cover). This can be obtained through the Land Registry [www.land.vic.gov.au](http://www.land.vic.gov.au). If you do not have a land title, you may still submit this application however the land title will need to be provided before this application can be approved.

## Water-Use Registrations Only

### General Purpose

12. Water used under a WUR is not fit for any use that may involve human consumption without first being properly treated.
13. For Goulburn-Murray Water general purpose allows domestic and stock use, dairy use, and general non-irrigation farm use.
14. For Lower Murray Water general purpose allows watering a kitchen garden that is not more than 0.4 hectares, watering animals kept as pets, watering cattle or other stock (not including piggeries, feed lots, poultry farms or any other intensive or commercial use), dairy use, and general non-irrigation farm use.
15. For Southern Rural Water general purpose allows watering of a kitchen garden that is not more than 0.4 hectares, watering animals kept as pets, watering cattle or other stock (not including piggeries, feed lots, poultry farms or any other intensive or commercial use including dairy wash down), and general non-irrigation farm use.

### Land Owners Consent

16. With regard to Q6 (section b) of this form, the Water Corporation may require prescribed persons under s.64APAA of the Act who apply for a water-use registration to provide written consent from the land owner(s). Please contact the Water Corporation in the first instance.

## Water-use Licences Only

17. If you have an existing WUL on your parcel of land you must apply to cancel the WUL (using Form 25) before the new WUL can be approved. Provide the Form 25 application number at Q7 on this form.
18. Your application will be reviewed to decide if a referral to an Irrigation Development Case Manager is required. However, you are able to elect to have your application referred to a Case Manager regardless of the outcome of the review.

## Lodgement

19. You must complete an *Application for a Water-Use Licence or a Water-Use Registration*, and lodge the completed form including payment of the application fee and accompanying documents with the Water Corporation over the counter or by mail.  
The Water Corporation will not accept:
  - Photocopied forms as the application number on the top right-hand corner must be unique.
  - Faxed or emailed forms as original signatures are required.
21. Once an application is lodged, it will be internally reviewed to determine if it needs to be referred to other authorities before approval can be granted. The application may need to be referred to an Irrigation Development Case Manager for an Irrigation Development Guidelines assessment if:
  - i. There was no previous WUL on that parcel of land;
  - ii. The applicant requests the application be referred to an Irrigation Development Case Manager;
  - iii. There is an overall increase in the annual-use limit across the parcels covered by the existing WUL;
  - iv. There is an overall increase in the area irrigable under the existing WUL.
22. Application forms and the schedule of application fees are available from the Water Corporation or at <http://waterregister.vic.gov.au/Default.aspx>
23. If you require further information contact your water corporation:

Goulburn-Murray Water  
40 Casey Street  
PO Box 165, TATURA 3616  
[permanent.trading@g-mwater.com.au](mailto:permanent.trading@g-mwater.com.au)  
Ph: (03) 5833 5500  
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Lower Murray Water  
741-759 Fourteenth Street  
PO Box 1438, MILDURA 3502  
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Ph: (03) 5051 3400  
Fax: (03) 5051 3480

Southern Rural Water  
Maffra Office  
88 Johnston Street  
PO Box 153, MAFFRA 3860  
[srw@srw.com.au](mailto:srw@srw.com.au)  
Ph: (03) 5139 3100  
Fax: (03) 5139 3150

## Signatures

24. All land owner(s) must sign. Applications made by prescribed persons (refer to s.64APAA of the Act) may be exempt, and in this case the prescribed person(s) must sign. Please contact the Water Corporation in the first instance.
25. If there are more than four (4) land owner(s) or a land owner/applicant is a company please ensure the Annexure is completed. Signatories for a company (eg. Director or Company Secretary) must sign in accordance with an ASIC company extract not more than 12 months old. Only persons listed on the ASIC company extract can sign. A copy of the ASIC company extract must be attached to the application.

## Approval of the Application

26. If the application is approved, a letter will be sent to the land owner or the applicant as applicable. A letter will also be sent to the lodging party if a lodging party coordinated the application. The letter will advise that the WUL or WUR has been approved and recorded in the water register. A WUL or WUR Copy of Record will be attached and will state the licence/registration conditions. It is an offence to fail to comply with licence/registration conditions.

## More information required

27. If the Water Corporation requires more information a letter will be sent to the applicant and to the lodging party if applicable. The letter will make clear the missing and/or incorrect information that requires correction.
28. Applicants must provide missing information or correct information within two calendar months or the *Application for a Water-Use Licence or Water-Use Registration* will lapse and a new application would need to be lodged with another application fee.

## Refusal of the Application

29. If the Water Corporation refuses the application, the Water Corporation will send the applicant a letter stating the reasons for the refusal. A copy will be sent to the lodging party if they coordinated the application.

**Note: A reference in these notes to actions to be undertaken by the Water Corporation may mean the Water Corporation is acting as delegate of the Minister under section 306**

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