



POOLS & SPAS

Level 1 water restrictions begin on 16 September 2019. Here's what it means for pools and spas.



WHY WE NEED TO LOVE WATER

Our drinking water supply relies on rain. Following a hot and dry autumn and winter, the Lower Hunter's water storage levels are at the lowest level in more than two decades.

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WHAT IT MEANS FOR POOLS AND SPAS

Hunter Water realises that water is a precious resource which is crucial to business and community life. We are working with the Pool and Spa industry to ensure that water is used efficiently.

Further information is provided on the next page.





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WATER RESTRICTIONS

The following applies for Level 1 water restrictions and will also apply if Level 2 or Level 3 restrictions are implemented.

You can

- Top up existing pools or spas if using a trigger nozzle or device that can be turned off instantly.
- Fill a new or existing pool or spa over 10,000 litres capacity by obtaining a permit from Hunter Water and using an approved pool cover* .

*a pool cover that is endorsed by the Swimming Pool and Spa Association of Australia (SPASA Australia) or Smart Approved Watermark.

You can't

- Leave an unattended hose running in a pool.
- Fill a new or existing pool or spa over 10,000 litres capacity unless you have a permit.

HOW TO APPLY FOR A PERMIT

Once you have your *approved pool cover and you're ready to fill your pool, ask your pool or spa supplier to fill in the online form on our website.

The pool or spa supplier is to apply for the permit on behalf of the home/property owner.

They will need to provide the property owner's name, pool volume in litres, property address, proposed date to fill the pool as well as their contact name, business name and contact details.

If you're partly or fully emptying your own pool, please fill in the form with your name, address, phone number, pool volume in litres and proposed date to fill the pool.

Visit hunterwater.com.au/restrictions to fill in the online form.

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