



Water Use Guidelines
Please Manage your Water Consumption

1. **Be Careful with Water Use.** Our water is a scarce resource and it is essential that everyone is careful with its use, particularly over the busy holiday period from December to April. The Waikato Regional Council continuously monitors the amount of water we take from our wells each day and we must ensure we comply with our water abstraction consent. On some occasions, we are getting close to the maximum amount of water we can abstract.
2. **Peak periods of water use are between 7-9am and 5-8pm.** Please be careful during these times as there is a big draw on our pumps. This can severely affect the water levels in our wells and storage tanks.
3. **Tell your Guests too.** If you are renting your property or having visitors, please ensure that everybody uses water carefully so that an adequate water supply can be maintained for everyone.
4. **We may shut off the Water.** Should a leak occur or water use is too high, we may turn off the water supply at various points in the water distributions system to conserve water.
5. **Being Careful over Holiday Period.** During the holiday period, the washing of cars, boats, topping up swimming pools, the use of any irrigation systems etc. is **totally prohibited**. Water should be used for household purposes only.
6. **Check your Plumbing.** Please regularly check your on-site water storage tank and plumbing fittings to make sure they are in good condition. We must all do our best to ensure that there no water leaks occur. If you see or suspect a water leak anywhere, please contact us **immediately** so we can investigate.
7. **Shut Off Water When you are Away.** If you are going to be absent for an extended period, please shut off your water supply at your Toby box. This will help you avoid leaks that could damage your property while you are away. We have installed new Tobys and it is very easy to shut the valve. At the very least, shut off your house water pump.
8. **Disinfect your Storage Tank.** We recommend you clean and disinfect your storage tank at least once a year, especially after water has been sitting in your tank for an extended period. To disinfect your tank, add 30mls of Janola per 1000litres and leave for at least 30 mins.
9. **Alternative Water.** To supplement your water supply, we encourage you to collect roof rain water into a separate tank (s). Use this supply to water gardens, wash cars, boats, etc. during the peak holiday periods and dry spells.

We are a community water supply, operated by volunteers. Please be considerate of the people who live in Hahei. For more information, please see the Association's Rules

We appreciate your continued co-operation