

Information on water planning and management charges levied and determined by Goulburn-Murray Water

Information requirement	Relevant information
The name or a description of the regulated charge	<p>Transaction fees for applications to Goulburn-Murray Water made under the <i>Instruments of delegation dated 20 June 2007</i> and <i>2 May 2003</i> for activities including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dams on Waterway Fees • Private Dams not on a Waterway Fees • Surface Water License Fees • Groundwater License Fees • Land Transactions
The amount of the regulated charge (whether expressed as a dollar amount or as fee units) or details of rates, fixed and variable components and all other details necessary	<p>From 1 July 2011:</p> <p>Dams on Waterway Fee – Application Fees</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dams or other works less than 5 ML capacity not requiring qualified engineering input or design and specifications by G-MW is 549.00 • Dams less than 5 ML capacity IR, CO and D&S with engineering design review, consultancy and assessments by G-MW is 2151.00 • Dams less than 5 ML capacity IR, CO and D&S without engineering design review, consultancy and assessments by G-MW is 888.00 • Dams greater than 5 ML capacity or 7m embankment height with engineering design review, consultancy and assessments by G-MW is 2690.00 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ resubmission of revised proposals with G-MW assessment is 1801.00 • Dams greater than 5 ML capacity or 7m embankment height without engineering consultancy and assessments by other than G-MW is 889.00 <p>Private Dams not on a Waterway Fee – Application Fees</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dams requiring a licence to construct with engineering consultancy and assessment by other than G-MW is 889.00 • Dams requiring a licence to construct with engineering design review, consultancy and assessments by G-MW is 2690.00

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- Resubmission of revised proposals with G-MW assessment is **1801.00**

Surface Water License Fees

Bundled Surface Water

- Application for a Works Licence D & S and zero Vol is **1211.00**
- Application for RENEWAL, AMALGAMATION, SUBDIVISION is **736.00**
 - for each additional licence renewed (same land) is **350.00**
 - for each additional assignment of Licence issued from subdivision (third and subsequent licences) is **350.00**
- Application for replacement licence upon ALTERATION
 - Category 1 there is **no charge**
 - Category 2 is **383.00**
 - Category 3 is **526.00**
 - Category 4 is **987.00**
- Application for Temporary Transfer of licence volume is **68.00**
- Application for Permanent Transfer of licence volume (to other land) is **955.00**
- Application for Permanent Transfer of ownership (sale of land) is **594.00**
- Assessment for Private Rights to Water fee is **726.00**
 - Technical assessment fee for sensitive/high risk applications (in addition to application fee) is **1243.00**
- Irrigation Development Guidelines
 - Tier 1 is **227.00**
 - Tier 2 is **Tier 1 + 1,000.00**
 - Tier 3 is **Agreed Price (Quote) Tier 2 + \$110/hr**

Groundwater License Fees

- Application for a Works Licence to CONSTRUCT, ALTER OR REPLACE for D&S is **897.00**
 - each additional bore at the site is **336.00**
 - Renewal of a Works Licence (Bore Construction) for Domestic & Stock is **609.00**
 - Transfer of a Works Licence (Bore Construction) for Domestic & Stock is **383.00**
 - Application for a Works Licence to CONSTRUCT, ALTER or REPLACE for licensable purposes is **1294.00**
 - Application for a Works Licence to Construct, Alter or Replace for licensable Purposes each additional bore
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- at the site is 336.00
- Renewal of a Works Licence (Bore Construction) Licensable Use is **651.00**
- Application for a Works Licence to CONSTRUCT, ALTER or REPLACE for investigation or monitoring is **482.00**
 - each additional bore at the site is **336.00**
- Application for a Groundwater Licence 0 ML - 20 ML is **1350.00**
 - each additional bore at the site is **1350.00**
 - technical assessment fee (in addition to application fee) for sensitive/high risk applications is **1243.00**
- Application for a Groundwater Licence more than 20ML and up to 200 ML (inc) is **2799.00**; plus
 - additional charge per ML greater than 20ML is **6.40**
- Application for a Groundwater Licence more than 200ML and up to 400ML (inc) is **4903.00**; plus
 - additional charge per ML greater than 200ML is **12.70**
- Application for a Groundwater Licence more than 400ML is **6300.00**; plus
 - additional charge per ML greater than 400ML is **25.50**
- Application for Temporary Transfer of Groundwater licence volume
 - Low Risk is **261.00**
 - Medium risk is **682.00**
 - High risk is **682.00**
 - Additional charge per megalitre (high risk):
 - 0 ML - 20 ML is **no charge**
 - 20 ML - 200 ML is **6.30**
 - 200 ML to 400 ML is **12.50**
 - 400 ML plus is **25.10**
- Application for Permanent Transfer of Groundwater licence volume** (to other land) is **955.00**
 - **Additional charge per megalitre applied to zero volume groundwater licences
 - **20 ML - 200 ML is **6.30**
 - **200 ML to 400 ML is **12.50**
 - **400 ML plus is **25.10**
- Application for Permanent Transfer of ownership (sale of land) is **594.00**
- Application for part assignment (subdivision) of Licence other than for Domestic and/or Stock and commercial use is **872.00**
 - For each additional assignment of Licence issued (third & subsequent licences) is **601.00**

- Application for RENEWAL of an irrigation Licence is **767.00**
 - for each additional irrigation Licence renewal (same land) **601.00**
- Registration of Domestic & Stock Bore Fee is **90.40**
- Application for replacement license upon ALTERATION
 - Category 1 is **no charge**
 - Category 2 is **383.00**
 - Category 3 is **526.00**
 - Category 4 is **987.00**
 - Category 4 (decrease licence volume) is **241.00**
- Irrigation Development Guidelines
 - Tier 1 is **227.00**
 - Tier 2 is **Tier 1 + 1,000.00**
 - Tier 3 is **Agreed price (quote) Tier 2 + \$110/hr**
 - Capital Charge for New Groundwater Entitlement (per licence megalitre) is **143.00**

Land Transactions

- Application issue or vary a Water User Licence - Tier 1 is **381.00**
- Application issue or vary a Water User Licence - Tier 2 is **Tier 1 + 1,000.00**
- Application issue or vary a Water User Licence - Tier 3 is **Agreed price (quote) Tier 2 + 110/hr**
- Application to cancel a Water Use Entity is **no charge**
- Application to Issue/amend/renew a Works Licence is **651.00**
- Application to Transfer a Works Licence is **1294.00**

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<p>The legislative, contractual or other authority for the regulated charge</p>	<p>Under section 306 of the <i>Water Act 1989 (Victoria)</i>, the Minister of Water may delegate, by instrument, to any person or class of persons any power, discretion, function, authority or duty of the Minister under this or any other Act.</p> <p>The Minister for Water has delegated Goulburn-Murray Water functions and responsibilities as set out in the Instrument of Delegation dated 2 May 2003 and 20 June 2007 which include;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • prescribing fees that are for the issuing, varying or cancellation of a water use licences or water use registrations (instrument 20 June 2007 items 35, 37, 43 and 51 under section 64P(d), 64R, 64AI(1)(d) and 64AR(2)(d) of the Water Act 1989) • prescribing fees that are for the issuing, varying or cancellation of a works licence. (instrument 20 June 2007 items 60, 63, 67, 70 and 71 under section 67(2)(c)(i), 72(2)(c), 73A(3)(d), 74(4)(c) and 74AA of the Water Act 1989) <p>Under section 260 of the Water Act 1989 (Victoria), Goulburn-Murray Water has the power to set tariffs.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) An Authority that sets a tariff must do so by resolution. (2) A resolution under subsection (1) has no effect until the day on which notice of the making of the resolution is published in a newspaper circulating generally in the area concerned. (3) An Authority that sets a tariff must specify in the notice under subsection (2)— <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (a) the district to which the tariff applies; and (b) the method of calculating fees imposed under the tariff; and (c) the period for which the tariff is set <p>Under section 264 of the <i>Water Act 1989 (Victoria)</i> Goulburn-Murray Water has authority to set charges for any functions delegated to it.</p> <p>All charges listed in this document are regulated by the Essential Services Commission.</p>

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<p>A description of the process applied in determining the regulated charge including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the cost allocation principles; and • whether the regulated charge has been the subject of consultation, a review or audit and, if it has, a description of the process and a summary of the outcome 	<p>The regulated tariffs have been designed to recoup costs associated with the provision of the service provided. Where direct expenses are incurred to provide the service, these expenses are allocated directly to the cost of the service. Indirect expenses, ie. corporate related costs such as finance and human resources are allocated on varying basis according to their corporate requirements.</p> <p>The fees and charges for these services are regulated by the Essential Services Commission (Commission) in accordance with the Water Industry Regulatory Order 2003 (WIRO) issued under the <i>Water Industry Act 1994</i>.</p> <p>The process prescribed in the WIRO requires that prices be calculated or otherwise determined in accordance with the Regulatory Principles related to: recovery of operational, maintenance and administrative costs; recovery of expenditure on renewal and rehabilitation of existing assets; provide appropriate incentives for the sustainable use of water resources; and provide the regulated entity a sustainable revenue to meet efficient delivery of outcomes identified in the Water Plan.</p> <p>These charges were included in the 2008-13 Water Plan and subsequent pricing proposals that have been subject to regulatory review and public consultation prior to receiving the final determinations by the Commission.</p>
<p>The class of persons by whom the regulated charge is payable</p>	<p>All legal entities making an application in relation to delegated Goulburn-Murray Water functions must pay the associated fees. These include Government bodies, irrigators, companies and others making application.</p>
<p>The person to whom or the agency to which the regulated charge is payable</p>	<p>Fees for regulated tariffs are payable to Goulburn-Murray Water.</p>
<p>When the regulated charge is payable and, if payable by instalments, the number of instalments and intervals at which they are payable</p>	<p>Fees and charges are payable annually in respect of licence fees, or on application.</p>

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If applicable, the water resource, catchment or district, and the water resource plan or other plan, to which the regulated charge relates	Fees for regulated tariffs in relation to Goulburn-Murray Water functions delegated by the Minister relate to the private diverter customers from Nyah through to the South Australian boarder along the Victorian side on the Murray River.
If applicable, the class of water access right, water delivery right or irrigation right to which the regulated charge relates	Fees for regulated tariffs in relation to Goulburn-Murray Water functions delegated by the Minister refer to high and low reliability water shares, the allocation derived from these water shares and the licensing instruments for these water shares.
<p>A description of the water planning and water management activity or activities to which the regulated charge relates including, in relation to each activity:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the financial year or other period during which the activity is being, or is to be, carried out • the actual or estimated operating, capital and corporate service costs of the activity in respect of the financial year or 	<p>Goulburn-Murray Water has a dedicated staff for which these fees offset the cost to provide the service.</p> <p>Generally the fees apply following an application from a customer or, in relation to some licence fees on an annual basis. The current fees listed apply from 1 July 2011.</p> <p>Fees for regulated tariffs in relation to Goulburn-Murray Water functions delegated by the Minister in administering and the management of the private diverter licensing and operation services, are for a wide range of water planning and water management activities. The key activities include;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • licence management • meter reading • meter maintenance and renewal • water information/management guidance • customer record management

<p>other period</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> whether the costs of the activity have been the subject of consultation or a review or audit <p>the relationship between the costs of the activity and the calculation of the regulated charge</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> billing information statements water ordering overseeing government policy compliance (environmental plans, water quality reporting, biodiversity plans, drought management plans, water supply demand strategy, customer charter etc) external agency reporting (annual report, corporate plan, water plan, Bureau of Meteorology, Essential Services Commission) corporate management (Energy and Water Ombudsmen of Victoria, Customer Service Advisory Committee, Essential Services Commission , Department of Sustainability and Environment, Australian Taxation Office) <p>The cost for Goulburn-Murray Water perform these activities (including indirect corporate overheads) vary from year to year however are in the vicinity of;</p> <p>Operational and Maintenance \$3,015,000</p> <p>Administration \$490,000</p> <p>Depreciation (regulatory) Charge \$180,000 (included in O&M costs above)</p> <p>The costs associated with delivering the service via the activities as described above are directly attributed to the calculation of the fees. The fees are subject to an independent review. A Water Plan is prepared by Goulburn-Murray Water, for the Essential Services Commission (ESC) as part of the requirements for water industry regulation detailed by the Water Industry Regulatory Order (WIRO). The document details the needs of the business for the regulatory period, the latest being the 1st July 2008 to 30th June 2013. The document is developed in consultation with G-MW's customers for agreed service levels which influence service cost. The document is published on the ESC website in which the ESC invites the community to make submissions in response to the Water Plan. The ESC make a pricing determination for this regulatory period based on the data provided in this document after the consultation period.</p>
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