# **Direct Debit Request Application Form**



Goulburn-Murray Water accepts payments by direct debit from your nominated bank, building society or credit union account.

Payments will be automatically processed from your bank account. Goulburn-Murray Water does not charge additional fees for this method of payment. Should you require assistance to complete this form, please contact this office on 1300 553 200

Note: Direct Debit is not offered by all Financial Institutions. Confirmation can be obtained by contacting your bank, building society or Credit Union.

I. Select Payment Option
Please tick (√) the appropriate payment option(s) below;
<ul> <li>Fixed Charges in Full;</li> <li>Yes, I would like to pay in full by the due date to receive a 2% discount.</li> <li>Fixed Charges by Instalments</li> <li>Variable Charges</li> </ul>
Fixed Monthly Payments of: \$ which will cease:
a) When the outstanding account balance is \$0 b) On this date / / c) After payments have been made
This direct debit is to remain ongoing for all future accounts, or until notification is provided to cease this arrangement
This direct debit application will automatically cease on 30 <sup>th</sup> June following the signing of this application, unless a cessation date is specified (see option a.bc). Where an approved payment arrangement is in place that extends beyond this date, the direct debit request shall be extended as required to meet the approved payment arrangement terms and will terminate at the conclusion of the payment arrangement.  Termination of this applicationwill be notified in writing. Should you wish to continue the Direct Debit arrangement, a new form is required to be submitted after the termination date.  Customers who wish to pay their fixed costs by instalments should refer to their G-MW account for payment dates and ensure sufficient funds are available from their nominated bank account. <i>Please note bank fees may apply.</i>
2. Goulburn- Murray Water Account Details
Owner of Water Account:
Property ID:  Contact Telephone Number:
3. Bank Account Details
Name of Financial Institution:  Branch: Account Name:
BSB: Account Number: Account Number:
4. Customers Declaration
By signing this document I acknowledge that Goulburn-Murray Water (ABN 4676 1336 846) (User ID 371557) will debit my account in accordance to the information stated on this application until I give them further notice in writing.
Print Name: Signature:
Date:

Goulburn-Murray Water protects your privacy by collecting and handling your personal information in accordance with the requirements of the *Information Privacy Act 2000*. The personal information collected in this form will only be used for the purpose of administering your direct debit request. It will be disclosed to appropriate staff and institutions in regard to the purpose for which it was provided. Failure to provide the information sought may result in processing delays. You have a right to access and correct the personal information you provide to Goulburn-Murray Water. For further information regarding Goulburn-Murray Water's privacy statement please refer to our website at <a href="https://www.g-mwater.com.au">www.g-mwater.com.au</a>

#### **Direct Debit Request Service Agreement**

#### Definitions:

Us or We - Goulburn-Murray Water Rural Water Authority

You - the customer who signed the Direct Debit Request.

Your Financial Institution - the Financial Institution where You hold the account that You have authorised Us to debit.

Account - the account held at Your Financial Institution from which We are authorised to debit funds.

Agreement – this Direct Debit Request Service Agreement between You and Us.

Business Day – any day other than a Saturday or a Sunday or a public holiday listed in Victoria.

Non-Business Day - is any day that is not a Business Day. Debit Day – the day that payment by You to Us is due.

Debit Payment – a particular transaction where a debit is made.

Direct Debit Request – the Direct Debit Request Application Form signed You.

### 1. Debiting your account

- 1.1 By signing a Direct Debit Request, You have authorised Us to arrange for funds to be debited from Your Account. You should refer to the *Direct Debit Request* and this *Agreement* for the terms of the arrangement between *Us* and *You*.
- 1.2 We will only arrange for funds to be debited from Your Account as authorised in the Direct Debit Request.
- 1.3 The first drawing under this *Direct Debit Agreement* will occur on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of each month after the application has been received.
- 1.4 If drawing date falls due on a Non-Business Day, Your Account will be debited on the next Business Day thereafter.

#### 2. Changes by us

2.1 We may vary any details of this Agreement or a Direct Debit Request at any time by giving You at least twenty-one (21) days written notice.

#### 3. Changes by you

- 3.1 Subject to sections 3.2 and 3.3, You may change the arrangements under a Direct Debit Request by contacting Us at: Goulburn-Murray Water, 40 Casey Street, (PO Box 165), Tatura VIC 3616 Email: reception@g-mwater.com.au Phone: (03) 5833 5500 Fax: (03) 5833 5501
- 3.2 If You wish to stop or defer a Direct Debit Payment, You must notify Us in writing at least twenty-one (21) days prior to the next Debit Day. This notice should be given to Us in the first instance.
- 3.3 You may also cancel Your authority for Us to debit Your account at any time by giving Us twenty-one (21) days notice in writing prior to the next Debit Day. This notice should be given to Us in the first instance.

#### 4. Your obligations

- 4.1 It is Your responsibility to ensure that there are sufficient clear funds available in Your Account to allow a Direct Debit Payment to be made in accordance with the Direct Debit Request.
- 4.2 If there are insufficient clear funds in Your Account to meet a Direct Debit Payment:

You may be charged a fee and/or interest by Your Financial Institution;

- You may also incur fees or changes imposed or incurred by us; and
- You must arrange for the Direct Debit Payment to be made by another method or arrange for sufficient clear funds to be in Your Account by an agreed time so that We can process the Debit Payment
- 4.3 If You have two consecutive payments dishonoured, in addition to the fees and charges payable under clause 4.2, We shall automatically terminate Your Direct Debit Agreement and You will be required to submit a new application to continue Your direct
- 4.4 You should check Your Account statement to verify that the amounts debited from Your Account are correct

# 5. Dispute

- 5.1 If You believe that there has been an error in debiting Your Account, You should notify Us directly at: Goulburn-Murray Water, 40 Casey Street, (PO Box 165), Tatura VIC 3616 Email: reception@g-mwater.com.au Phone: (03) 5833 5500 Fax: (03) 5833 5501
- 5.2 If We conclude as a result of our investigations that Your account has been incorrectly debited We will respond to Your query by arranging for Your Financial Institution to adjust Your Account (including interest and charges) accordingly. We will also notify You in writing of the amount by which Your Account has been adjusted.
- 5.3 If We conclude as a result of our investigations that Your Account has not been incorrectly debited We will respond to Your query by
- providing You with reasons and any evidence for this finding.

  Any queries You may have about an error made in debiting Your Account should be directed to us in the first instance so that We can attempt to resolve the matter between Us and You. If We cannot resolve the matter You can still refer it to Your Financial Institution which will obtain details from You of the disputed transaction and may lodge a claim on Your behalf.

# 6. Accounts

- 6.1 You should check:
  - (a) With Your Financial Institution whether direct debiting is available from Your Account as direct debiting is not available on all accounts offered by financial institutions.
  - Your account details which You have provided to Us are correct by checking them against a recent Account statement; and
  - with Your Financial Institution before completing the Direct Debit Request if You have any gueries about how to (c) complete the Direct Debit Request.

### 7. Confidentiality

- We will keep any information (including Your Account details) in Your Direct Debit Request confidential. We will make reasonable efforts to keep any such information that we have about You secure and to ensure than any of our employees or agents who have access to information about You do not make any unauthorised use, modification, reproduction or disclosure of that information.
- 7.2 We will only disclose information that We have about You:
  - (a) to the extent specifically required by law; or
  - (b) for the purposes of this Agreement (including disclosing information in connection with any query or claim)

# 8. Notice

- 8.1 If You wish to notify Us in writing about anything relating to this Agreement, You should write to: Goulburn-Murray Water, 40 Casey Street, (PO Box 165), Tatura VIC 3616 Email: reception@q-mwater.com.au
- 8.2 We will notify You by sending a notice in the ordinary post to the address You have given Us in the Direct Debit Request.
- 8.3 Any notice will be deemed to have been received two Business Days after it is posted.

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