

Application for temporary transfer (all or part) of a Licence to Take and Use Groundwater

What is this application form for?

Use this form to make application to transfer all or part of a Licence to Take and Use Water for the current year under Section 62 Water Act 1989.

What to do:

- Read the accompanying explanatory notes and refer to the current fee schedule (which can be obtained by calling 03 5826 3601 or downloaded from www.g-mwater.com.au) before you complete the application form.
- Visit www.g-mwater.com.au or contact G-MW to access information about temporary transfer rules in your area
- Complete the form in full ensuring all relevant information is provided.
- Incorrect information may result in your application being refused. Your application will be returned if it is Ineligible or incomplete.
- Send the form, any required documentation and the application fee to: Goulburn Murray Water, PO Box 165, TATURA , VIC 3616.
- Goulburn-Murray Water accepts payment by cheque or credit card.

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Part 1 - Sellers Licence Information

1. LICENCE DETAILS

Licence No:

BEE number if Known: BEE

2. AGENTS DETAILS (Broker or Solicitor)

Contact person:

Postal Address:

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Postcode:

Telephone number: ()

Mobile number:

Fax Number:

Email:

3. APPLICANT/S DETAILS - SELLER

Please list full names, initials are not acceptable - if more than 3 licensees please note in the space provided

Applicant No 1: (Individual or company name).....

Applicant No 2: (Individual or company name).....

Additional applicants:

Postal Address:

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Postcode:

Telephone number: ()

Mobile number:

Fax Number:

Email:

4. VOLUME TO BE TRANSFERRED BY SELLER

Sellers Licence volume.....ML

Volume to be transferred:ML

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5. DECLARATION OF APPLICANT/S -SELLER

I confirm that the information supplied in this application is complete and correct to the best of my knowledge. I am aware that it is an offence to supply false or misleading information.

I acknowledge that Goulburn-Murray Water may release information contained in this application, at the discretion of G-MW to relevant parties and organisations in accordance with relevant legislation.

Signature of applicant 1 Date:

Printed name:

Signature of applicant 2 Date:

Printed name:

Additional applicants:

Signature(s)..... Date:

Printed name: Date:

Printed name: Date:

Printed name: Date:

If the name of the applicant is a Company name please provide the following details:

ACN No: Position (eg director):

Please Refer to the application notes for information about who should sign this application.

Protecting your privacy

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 application. It will only be disclosed to appropriate staff in regard to the purpose for which it was provided. Failure to provide the information sought in this form 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 www.g-mwater.com.au

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Part 2 - Buyers Licence Information

6. APPLICANT/S DETAILS - BUYER/S

Please list full names, initials are not acceptable - if more than 3 licensees please note in the space provided

Applicant No 1: (Individual or company name).....

Applicant No 2: (Individual or company name).....

Additional applicants:

Postal Address:

..... Postcode:

Telephone number: () Mobile number:

Fax Number: Email:

7. LICENCE DETAILS WHERE THE WATER IS BEING TRANSFERRED TO (Buyer)

Buyers Licence No: BEE number if Known: BEE

Buyers existing licence volume:ML

8. VOLUME TO BE TRANSFERRED TO BUYER

Volume to be transferred:ML Proposed new adjusted licence volume:ML
(=current volume + purchased volume)

9. DESCRIPTION OF LAND ON WHICH THE BUYERS BORE/S ARE LOCATED AND WATER IS TO BE TAKEN & USED

Property address:

Vol:Fol:Lot No:Plan No:Crown Allotment:Section:.....

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Parish

Note: If additional lands are required please attach a separate list to this application.

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10. LODDON HIGHLANDS WATER SUPPLY PROTECTION AREA ONLY - Multiple Year Temporary Transfers

Copy of Multiple year temporary transfer agreement between Seller and Buyer (mandatory requirement)

Number of years the transfer will occur (maximum 2 years)

11. DECLARATION OF APPLICANT/S - BUYER/S

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Signature of applicant 1

Date:

Printed name:

Signature of applicant 2

Date:

Printed name:

Additional applicants:

Signature(s).....

Date:

Printed name:

Printed name:

Printed name:

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Credit Card Payment Authority

Applicant/company name:

Payment for Application of a Temporary Transfer of a Licence to Take & Use Groundwater

CREDIT CARD DETAILS

Please tick (✓) appropriate card:

CREDIT CARD DETAILS:

MasterCard

Visa

Card No

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Expiry date _____

Total \$ _____

Cardholder's name

Cardholder's signature

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General information and explanatory notes (retain for future reference)

What are the benefits of transferring a Licence to Take and Use Groundwater?

Transferring groundwater entitlement provides existing licensed groundwater users with the opportunity to maximise the value of their licence by selling their unused entitlement, and provides other groundwater users with the ability to purchase water entitlements in areas where new entitlement is not available.

What are the rules relating to the temporary transfer of a licence?

Rules have been established to allow the temporary transfer of groundwater entitlement while also ensuring groundwater resources are managed in a sustainable manner. The following general rules apply to temporary transfer of groundwater. Please note that areas governed by Groundwater Management Plans may be subject to rules that differ from those described below.

- In most cases the transfer of entitlement is limited to the term of the current financial year. The transferred volume reverts back to the sellers Licence on 1 July in the following year.
- Multiple year temporary transfers may be approved in the Loddon Highlands Water Supply Protection Area.
- Transfers can generally occur only between licensed bores located within the same trading zone. In some areas limited trading is available between zones. Please refer to the information on the G-MW website.
- In some cases transfers may be approved between adjacent zones if the buyer and sellers bores are located within a 1km distance from the boundary of those zones.
- Transferred entitlement may be restricted or prohibited from being used if there are adverse impacts on other users or the environment.
- If the sellers bore is operational, the pumping system must be metered according to G-MW's requirements before a transfer can be approved.
- The buyer must have a Licence to Take and Use Groundwater before an application for a temporary transfer can be approved.
- Water cannot be used by the buyer until the transfer has been approved. G-MW will notify all parties of the outcome of an application in writing.
- For specific details about trading in your area refer to the fact sheets available from www.g-mwater.com.au/water-resources/ground-water/gwtempfactsheets

How do I know which trading zone and trading rules apply to my licence?

Trading rules have been established under Groundwater Management Plans and Local Management Rules. Your licence document lists the trading zone applicable to your licence. A copy of your licence can be obtained by contacting the Licensing Unit (fees apply).

Plans and Rules have been established where groundwater has been, or has the potential to be, intensively developed. If you intend to apply for a temporary licence transfer you are urged to contact G-MW prior to making an application to ensure you have a full understanding of the conditions which apply to the temporary transfer of licence entitlement in your area. For information and maps, please refer to the G-MW website at www.g-mwater.com.au/water-resources/ground-water. Information relating to trading rules applicable to your licence is available to download from the G-MW website at www.g-mwater.com.au/water-resources/ground-water/gwtempfactsheets. If you cannot access the internet please contact the Licensing Unit to request a copy of the relevant fact sheets by mail or fax.

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Why are there different application fees depending on the volume of the transfer?

The fee structure reflects the cost of the work required by G-MW to assess and determine applications for temporary licence transfers in accordance with its legal obligations.

An application to transfer a volume which is less than 2ML, or is greater than 2ML but within the buyer's current licensed volume, is generally considered to have a lower risk of impacting other users or the environment than an application for a higher volume, or a volume in excess of the buyers current entitlement volume which may require further technical assessment.

If your application to transfer is for a volume which will exceed your current licence entitlement or is for more than 2ML the higher application fee will apply.

When assessing an application for the temporary transfer of a licence G-MW must consider any impacts on existing authorised users of groundwater and the environment. When the application is lodged it will be assessed initially to determine whether the transfer of water poses a risk of having any adverse impacts at the proposed site where the water will be taken and used.

If this assessment indicates that there is a potential risk of impacting other users or the environment additional information will be required from the applicant. G-MW may require that technical investigations, hydrogeological assessments and/or pumping tests are undertaken to demonstrate that the proposal will not adversely impact upon existing authorised groundwater users and the environment. Completion of this work, if applicable, will be required before the transfer of groundwater entitlement is considered. Please note that the costs of any technical work are paid by the applicant. If you are required to undertake such work you will be notified by G-MW.

What volume of water is available to the buyer when a temporary transfer is approved?

The temporary transfer of a licence involves the transfer of the requested licence volume from the sellers licence to the buyers, and takes into account any restrictions that may be in place.

Where restrictions have been set (eg. where less than 100% of licence volume is made available in a given season) the transferred volume which will be available for the purchaser to use upon approval of the transfer will be adjusted to reflect the available percentage of licence volume at the time of the approval of the transfer.

For example if a seller temporarily transfers a 100ML Licence (unused) in an area where the allocation volume is limited to 70%, the purchaser will be the recipient of a 100ML Licence entitlement with only 70ML available to use for the term of the transfer.

Where can I get more information about trading opportunities and current prices in my area?

You should visit the G-MW website to obtain information about trading rules and restrictions applicable to your licence before proceeding to locate a buyer or seller. If you are still unsure about the rules you should contact the Licensing Unit to discuss your proposal.

G-MW cannot provide you with information on the current market value of water. If you decide to proceed with an application, information about market activity and pricing can be obtained from your local water broker. Details of brokers in your area can be located in the Yellow Pages or through advertisements in your local newspaper.

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Assistance with completing the application form

How can I get more information or assistance with completing this form?

Read the information included below, and if you need further assistance contact the Licensing Unit between 8.00am and 4.45pm Monday to Friday

Telephone: (03) 5826 3601 or 1800 013 357 (free call from most fixed line phones)

Facsimile: (03) 5824 5815

Email: licensingadmin@g-mwater.com.au

Part 1 - Sellers Licence Information

Question 1 -Licence Details

Please provide the licence number for the licence to be transferred. If you do not have this number please contact the Licensing Unit to obtain the reference number for your licence. G-MW may require you to verify your identity prior to providing this information.

Question 2 - Agents details (eg Solicitors or Brokers)

If you have a solicitor or broker acting on you behalf, please complete this section so that G-MW can send your nominated agent a copy of the licence.

Question 3 - Applicant/s details (seller/s)

All person/s listed on licence must complete and the application. If the applicant is a company, evidence must be provided that the person/s has authority to act on behalf of the company.

Question 4 - Volume to be transferred to buyer

Please provide the total volume of the existing licence and the volume that is being transferred to the buyer.

Question 5 - Declaration of Applicant/s (Seller/s)

All person/s listed on the current licence must complete and sign the application. If any person executes the document on behalf of another person or party, they must provide evidence of their authorisation. This can be in the form of a Power of Attorney or other legal document.

If the applicant is a company, evidence must be provided that the person/s signing the application has authority to sign on behalf of the Company. This must be in the form of a current copy of an ASIC Company Search listing all directors and/or office bearers which is not more than three months old.

How can I get a copy of my Company Search?

You can obtain a company search statement by:

- Accessing ASIC via the internet at www.asic.gov.au or phone (03) 5177 3988
- Requesting that G-MW complete the searches on your behalf.
- This service may be available from your solicitor or legal advisor.

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Part 2 - Buyers Licence Information

Question 6 - Applicant/s details (buyer/s)

All person/s listed on licence must complete and sign the application. If the applicant is a company, evidence must be provided that the person/s has authority to act on behalf of the company.

Question 7 - Provide licence details where the water is to be transferred to (buyer)

Provide the buyers licence number and the existing volume of the licence in ML. If the licence is for zero ML please write 0.

Question 8 - Volume to be transferred from seller

Please indicate the volume to be transferred (must match question 4 in part 1). Also provide the new adjusted volume after the transfer. This value will be the current volume plus the purchased volume. Please refer to explanatory notes in relation to the applicable fee for this volume.

Question 9 - Details of land on which the water will be taken and used

Provide details of the land on which the buyer's bore/s are located and where the water is to be taken and used.

Question 10 - Loddon Highlands Water Supply Protection Area Only - Multiple Year Temporary Transfers

Applicant/s must provide copy of agreement between the seller and buyer in relation to the multiple year transfer. Multiple transfers can be approved for up to a maximum of 2 years. Buyers will be required to pay an annual fee at the commencement of each season to maintain the multiple year temporary transfer.

Question 11 - Declaration of Applicant/s (Buyer/s)

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