MCIVOR CREEK CATCHMENT LOCAL MANAGEMENT RULES



1. Catchment Information

The McIvor Creek flows into Lake Eppalock approximately 8 km downstream of Heathcote, and encompasses an area of approximately 174 km². The mean annual flow at the bottom of the McIvor Creek catchment is approximately 13,890 ML/yr.

The catchment is bound to the west by the Wild Duck Creek catchment and the east by the Goulburn River catchment. Significant tributaries of McIvor Creek include Mount Ida Creek and a number of spring fed gullies. The main towns within the catchment include Heathcote and Tooborac. The catchment is predominantly cleared along the creek valley which supports dryland farming and some viticulture. The hills surrounding the valley, especially in the lower and middle catchment are forested and are covered by the Heathcote-Graytown National Park and the Spring Plains Nature Conservation Reserve.

2. Management of Licences

Restriction Triggers for each stage of restriction.

Restriction Stages	Trigger Values for Introduction of Next Stage of Restriction	Percent Restrictable Demand
Stage 5 (Suspension)	<= 3 ML/Day	100%

Note: Restrictions are implemented during dry periods prior to flows reducing to the trigger value. For example, if a river flow is reducing rapidly, a higher stage or suspension will be put in place before the trigger level is reached to provide for adequate flow for domestic and stock use and the environment.

3. Compliance Point

There is a surface water monitoring station located on the McIvor Highway, downstream of Heathcote.

4. Licences

Licence Allocation in McIvor Creek and Tributaries

Licence Type	Number of Licences	Volume (ML)
Irrigation	12	130.7
Registered Dams	9	116
Total	21	146.7

5. Additional Information

Stream codes and sustainable diversion limit zones are provided within this document for identification purposes when discussing the catchment diversion management with Goulburn-Murray Water Officers.

Stream Codes

Stream codes used in the management of the McIvor Creek and Tributaries: 4060136

Sustainable Diversion Limit zones

Sustainable Diversion Limit zones used in the management of surface water trade within the McIvor Creek catchment:

4060204, 4060205, 4060207, 4060206

