

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 Minister for Water <i>Instrument of Delegation dated 13 December 2019</i> for activities including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Private Dams on or off Waterway fees • Diversions Works License fees • Diversions Take & Use Licence fees • Waterway Determination fees • Land Transactions fees
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 2020:</p> <p>Private Dams on or off Waterway Fees</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Works licence to construct, alter or decommission a dam or other structure is \$1,530 • Works licence to operate a dam/weir (large or potentially hazardous dam) is \$810 • Works licence to renew an existing dam/weir (large or potentially hazardous dam) is \$810 <p>Groundwater Works Licence Fees</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Non licensable bore to construct, alter and replace is \$210 • Non licensable bore to amend, renew and transfer ownership is \$210 • Each additional assessment of a non-licensable bore associated with a construct works licence is \$150 / hr • Licensable bore to construct, alter, amend is \$1,835 • Licensable bore to renew and transfer ownership is \$210 • Non licensable bore to replace is \$1,100 • Each additional assessment of a licensable bore associated with a construct works licence is \$150 / hr • Online - domestic and stock bore to construct is \$235 • Online - domestic and stock bore to amend and renew is \$80 • Online - investigation or monitoring bore to construct is \$235 • Online - investigation or monitoring bore to amend and renew is \$80

Regulated Rivers and Streams Works Licence Fees

- Construct Works Licence - Issue New is **\$700**
- Operate Works Licence - Amend or Renew Existing is **\$700**
- Operate Works Licence - Transfer Ownership is **\$150**

Unregulated River and Streams Works Licence Fees

- Construct Works Licence - Alter, Amend, Issue New or Renew Existing is **\$1,400**
- Construct Works Licence - Transfer Ownership is **\$210**
- Construct Works License - Decommission Works is **\$150**

Groundwater & Unregulated Surface Water Take & Use Licence Fees

- Application for a Groundwater or Surface Water Licence is **\$1,835**
- Application for Temporary Transfer of Water Entitlement:
 - Tier 1 - Temporary trade is **\$210**
 - Tier 2 - Temporary trade is **\$1,600**
- Permanent Transfer of Water Entitlement is **\$1,835**
- Transfer of Ownership / Extraction Share is **\$210**
- Decrease volume / Remove Land is **\$210**
- Renew or amend a Groundwater / Surface licence is **\$700**
- Surrender a licence is **\$150**
- Subdivide or amalgamate licences is **\$1,300**
- Private Right Determination fee is **\$610**

Waterway determination

- Waterway determination inspection and report / inspection is **\$610**
 - Each additional assessment required / inspection is **\$510**

Land Transactions

Delivery Share

- Amend District Boundary is **\$810**
- Transfer, Vary or Issue a Delivery Share is **\$210**
- Reservation of a Delivery Share is **\$210**
- Delivery Capacity Assessment is **\$210**

Private Works

- Issue a new Private Works Licence is **\$1,000**
 - Security Deposit of **25%** of job (min **\$1,000**)
 - Supervision Fee is **5%** of job (min **\$275**)
- Transfer ownership Works Licence is **\$150**
- Renew a Works Licence is **\$400**
- Installation of a small pipe outlet for non-irrigation purposes is **\$450**

Supply Agreement

- Issue New Drainage Diversion (without field inspection) is **\$200**
- Issue New Drainage Diversion (with field inspection) is **\$400**
- Issue New or Amend Existing is **\$510**
- Issue New Mobile Collection is **\$150**

Water Use Licence or Registration

- Issue or Vary (with field inspection) is **\$700**
 - Subdivide or amalgamate (with field inspection) is **\$700** per lot
 - Issue or vary (without field inspection) is **\$100**
 - Subdivide or Amalgamate (without field inspection) is **\$100** per lot
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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 (Vic)</i> (Act), 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 13 December 2019 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 under section 64P(d), 64R, 64AI(1)(d), 64AR(2)(d) and 64AU(3)(d) of the Act; and • prescribing fees that are for the issuing, varying or cancellation of a works licence under section 67(2)(c)(i), 72(2)(c), 73A(3)(d), 74(4)(c) and 74AA of the Act. <p>Under sections 259 and 260 of the <i>Water Act 1989 (Vic)</i>, Goulburn-Murray Water has the power to set a tariff subject to::</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) setting the tariff 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) when setting the 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 (ESC) in accordance with the Water Industry Regulatory Order 2014 (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 prudent and efficient operational, maintenance and administrative costs; recovery of a rate of return on prudent and efficient capital expenditure on assets as well as a return of the costs of investing in those 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 Pricing Submission.</p> <p>These charges were included in the 2020 Pricing Submission and subsequent pricing proposals that have been subject to regulatory review and public consultation prior to receiving the Final Determinations by the ESC. Consultation with customers occurred during the Pricing Submission. Customers were advised of the tariffs to apply from 1 July 2020 by email, mail out, publication in the newspaper, media release and via the GMW website.</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 other period • whether the costs of 	<p>Goulburn-Murray Water has 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 2020.</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 • billing • information statements

<p>the activity have been the subject of consultation or a review or audit</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> the relationship between the costs of the activity and the calculation of the regulated charge 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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 Environment, Land, Water and Planning, Australian Taxation Office) <p>The cost for Goulburn-Murray Water to perform these activities (including indirect corporate overheads) vary from year to year however are in the vicinity of;</p> <table data-bbox="636 643 1317 730"> <tr> <td>Operational and Maintenance</td> <td>\$3,446,635</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Administration</td> <td>\$506,475</td> </tr> </table> <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 Pricing Submission 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 1 July 2020 to 30 June 2023. The document is developed in consultation with GMW’s customers for agreed service levels which influence service cost. The document is published on the GMW and ESC website in which the ESC invites the community to make submissions in response to the Pricing Submission. The ESC made a Price Determination for this regulatory period based on the data provided in this document after the consultation period.</p>	Operational and Maintenance	\$3,446,635	Administration	\$506,475
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