

## **ANGLIAN WATER SERVICES LIMITED**

### **PROHIBITION OF HOSEPIPE AND OTHER WATER USES 2012 (in force from 5 April 2012)**

Anglian Water Services Limited issues the following Prohibition on the use of hosepipes and other water uses pursuant to section 76 of the Water Industry Act 1991, as amended.

The Prohibition commences on 5 April 2012 and will continue until varied or revoked.

Subject to the exceptions (A – J) set out below, water supplied by Anglian Water to its customers (excluding supplies to its customers in Hartlepool) must NOT be used for the following purposes:

1. watering a garden using a hosepipe;
2. cleaning a private motor-vehicle using a hosepipe;
3. watering plants on domestic or other non-commercial premises using a hosepipe;
4. cleaning a private leisure boat using a hosepipe;
5. filling or maintaining a domestic swimming or paddling pool;
6. drawing water, using a hosepipe, for domestic recreational use;
7. filling or maintaining a domestic pond using a hosepipe;
8. filling or maintaining an ornamental fountain;
9. cleaning walls, or windows, of domestic premises using a hosepipe;
10. cleaning paths or patios using a hosepipe; and
11. cleaning other artificial outdoor surfaces using a hosepipe.

#### **Exceptions**

- A. Use of a hosepipe under paragraphs 1, 4, 9, 10 or 11 in a garden or for cleaning walls or windows of domestic premises, paths or patios, a private leisure boat or an artificial outdoor surface, where such use is necessary for health and safety reasons;
- B. Use of a hosepipe under paragraphs 2, 9, 10, or 11 in the course of a business to clean a private motor vehicle, or for cleaning walls or windows of domestic premises, paths or patios or an artificial outdoor surface, where this is done as a service to customers;

- C. Use of a hosepipe under paragraphs 1 or 3 to water a garden attached to domestic premises or to water plants on domestic premises by people who hold a current Blue Badge issued by their local authority;
- D. Use of a hosepipe under paragraphs 1 or 11 to water an area of grass or an artificial outdoor surface used for playing sport or recreation (but not for any ancillary use), where this is required in connection with a national or international sports event only;
- E. Use under paragraph 1 of a drip or trickle irrigation watering system which is fitted with a pressure reducing valve and a timer, that are not handheld and which place water by drip directly onto the soil surface or beneath the soil surface, without any surface run-off or dispersion of water through the air using a jet or mist;
- F. Use of a hosepipe under paragraph 3 to water plants grown or kept for sale or commercial use, or that are part of a National Plant Collection or a temporary garden or flower display.
- G. Use of a hosepipe under paragraph 4 does not include cleaning any area of a private leisure boat which, except for doors or windows, is enclosed by a roof and walls and, where there is a non-native species present in any recreational water area, does not include cleaning a private leisure boat (or any equipment) to prevent or minimise the spread of the non-native species.
- H. Use of a hosepipe under paragraph 5 does not include:
  - i. filling or maintaining a pool where necessary in the course of its construction;
  - ii. filling or maintaining a pool using a hand-held container which is filled with water drawn directly from a tap;
  - iii. filling or maintaining a pool that is designed, constructed or adapted for use in the course of a programme of medical treatment;
  - iv. filling or maintaining a pool that is used for the purpose of decontaminating animals from infections or disease;
  - v. filling or maintaining a pool used in the course of a programme of veterinary treatment; or
  - vi. filling or maintaining a pool in which fish or other aquatic animals are being reared or kept in captivity.
- I. Use of a hosepipe under paragraph 7 does not include filling or maintaining a domestic pond in which fish or other aquatic animals are being reared or kept in captivity.
- J. Use of a hosepipe under paragraph 8 does not include filling or maintaining an ornamental fountain which is in or near a fish-pond and whose purpose is to supply sufficient oxygen to the water in the pond in order to keep the fish healthy.

## Definitions

Words used in this Prohibition shall be given the meanings set out in the Water Industry Act 1991, as amended, and the Water Use (Temporary Bans) Order 2010. For convenience some definitions are set out below:

artificial outdoor surface	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- any area outdoors which is paved or laid with hard or artificial material;</li> <li>- timber decking;</li> <li>- a quay, including a jetty, pontoon, wharf and slipway;</li> <li>- a trailer designed, constructed or adapted to launch boats or other vessels or craft into water, other than a private motor vehicle, as defined;</li> <li>- the roof of any domestic premises.</li> </ul>
domestic or other non-commercial premises	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- any land, building or other structure used or enjoyed in connection with the use of any of the following which is used principally as a dwelling—             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o a building or part of a building,</li> <li>o a caravan,</li> <li>o a boat; or</li> </ul> </li> <li>- any other land or premises which is not used principally for the purposes of a business.</li> </ul>
domestic pond	<p>a pond, including a swimming pond, on land that—</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- is used or enjoyed in connection with a building, or part of a building, used principally as a dwelling; and</li> <li>- is not being used for the purposes of a business.</li> </ul>
domestic premises	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- a building used principally as a dwelling or dwellings;</li> <li>- a garage, shed, outbuilding or other building or structure used or enjoyed in connection with such a building; or</li> <li>- a wall or other means of enclosure within the curtilage of such a building.</li> </ul>
domestic recreational use	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- recreational use in connection with a domestic swimming or paddling pool; or</li> <li>- recreational use on land that is used or enjoyed in</li> </ul>

	<p>connection with a building, or part of a building, used principally as a dwelling, other than for the purposes of a business.</p>
<p>domestic swimming or paddling pool</p>	<p>a swimming or paddling pool, other than a pool that is being used for the purposes of a business, which is—</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- in a building, or part of a building, used principally as a dwelling; or</li> <li>- on any land or in any building that is used or enjoyed in connection with such a building.</li> </ul>
<p>garden</p>	<p>Includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- a park;</li> <li>- gardens open to the public;</li> <li>- a lawn;</li> <li>- a grass verge;</li> <li>- an area of grass used for sport or recreation;</li> <li>- an allotment garden, as defined in section 22(1) of the Allotments Act 1922;</li> <li>- any area of an allotment used for non-commercial purposes; and</li> <li>- any other grass space.</li> </ul> <p>But does not include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- agricultural land, as defined in section 109(1) of the Agriculture Act 1947;</li> <li>- other land used in the course of a business for the purposes of growing, for sale or commercial use, any crops, fruit, vegetables or other plants;</li> <li>- land used for the purposes of a National Plant Collection;</li> <li>- a temporary garden or flower display; or</li> <li>- plants (including plant organs, seeds, crops and trees) which are in an outdoor pot or in the ground, under cover.</li> </ul>
<p>health or Safety</p>	<p>Includes:</p>

Reasons	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- removing or minimising any risk to human or animal health or safety; and</li> <li>- preventing or controlling the spread of causative agents of disease.</li> </ul>
ornamental fountain	Includes a cascade or any other display of moving water.
plants	Includes plant organs, seeds, crops and trees.
private leisure boat	<p>a vessel or other thing, other than a seaplane, which is designed, constructed or adapted to move through, in, on or over water and which is not:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- used in the course of a business; or</li> <li>- made available or accessible to the public.</li> </ul>
private motor vehicle	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- a mechanically propelled vehicle designed, constructed or adapted for use on roads, except a public service vehicle, as defined in section 1 of the Public Passenger Vehicles Act 1981, and a goods vehicle, as defined in section 192 of the Road Traffic Act 1988; or</li> <li>- a trailer designed, constructed or adapted for attachment to a private motor vehicle.</li> </ul>
temporary garden or flower display	a garden or flower display that is at a show or exhibition; and on public display for a period not exceeding 7 days.
using a Hosepipe	<p>Includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- drawing water through a hosepipe from a container;</li> <li>- filling or partly filling a container with water using a hosepipe.</li> </ul>

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