

## LATEST NEWS - Standpipes

Ipswich Water is moving to the use of 'fit for purpose' water in civil construction and development works. The impact of this policy will be to reduce the volume of town (potable) water used in construction, with a transition to the use of alternative water sources, primarily recycled water. The transition from potable water use will occur in three phases:

Phase 1	Commissioning of recycled water filling station at Bundamba Wastewater Centre, with other sites to follow
Phase 2	Recall of all Ipswich Water issued standpipes (by 13 April 2007)
Phase 3	Establishment of new standpipe issuing and reporting procedures

### APPROVAL TO ACCESS RECYCLED WATER

- Carriers wishing to access or deliver recycled water within Ipswich are required to obtain an 'Ipswich Recycled Water Approval - Tankered Supply' application form.
- All tanker drivers must successfully complete an Ipswich Recycled Water Induction Training session.
- Each tanker used to carry recycled water must be inspected and approved by Ipswich Water prior to accessing recycled water.
- The approval holder is required to demonstrate to Ipswich Water that they hold \$10M in public liability insurance.
- Other terms and conditions of supply are provided with the Recycled Water Approval application form.
- A permit fee to carry water will apply from 1 July 2007.

For detailed information on recycled water services, visit us at [www.ipswichwater.com.au](http://www.ipswichwater.com.au)

### ENFORCEMENT POLICY

- Permit holders who fail to return their Ipswich Water standpipe by 11 April will have their Approval to Draw Potable Water withdrawn.
- Potable water carriers found in breach of either the current water restrictions or their permit conditions, will have their permit withdrawn.
- The State Government has enacted provisions to allow the application of fines for drawing potable water without written approval from Council.
- Tanker Drivers accessing or delivering recycled water in Ipswich without having completed Ipswich Recycled Water Induction Training, or whose tanker has not been inspected and approved to carry recycled water in Ipswich, will be refused future access to recycled water at Council filling stations.

### FUTURE USE OF IPSWICH WATER STANDPIPES

- From 13 April 2007, Ipswich Water will approve the hiring and use of standpipes for a limited number of purposes (i.e. where use of recycled water is not 'fit for purpose'). This means an agreement for approval of standpipe use will be made on the basis of a risk assessment which considers the health and safety of:
  - the community;
  - employees and site visitors; and
  - the environment.

Recycled water may not be suitable for uses such as testing and chlorinating of new water mains, filling of rollers and under road drilling. Recycled water is deemed suitable however, for general dust suppression, roadworks and landscape irrigation.

Ipswich Water remains committed to provide best quality services and products to the Ipswich region. We will continue to work closely with our customers, to ensure the sustainable development of the city.

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