



CITY OF BULAWAYO

RELAXATION OF WATER RATIONING SCHEME

Notice is hereby given in terms of Section 187 of the Urban Councils Act (CAP 29:15) that in view of the improved water situation, the Council has resolved (5 April, 2017) that the water rationing introduced (7 May, 2014) be reviewed as follows with effect from 5 April, 2017:-

| Category of Users | Present water rationing allocation 2014 | Increase in Allocation | New Allocation 2017 |
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| High density houses | 500 litres/day | 100 litres/day | 600 litres/day |
| Low density houses | 750 litres/day | 150 litres/day | 900 litres/day |
| Cottages, Servants Quarters | | | |
| All residential flats with bulk meters | 75% of average water period ending March 2014 | 15% increase on present 75% | 90% of average water period ending March 2014 |
| All residential flats with individual meters | 450 litres/day | 50 litres/day | 500 litres/day/meter |
| Multipurpose buildings with bulk meter | 75% of average water six months period ending April 2014 | 15% increase on present 75% | 90% of average water period ending March 2014 |
| Hotels, | 100% of average water six months period ending April 2014 | 15% increase | 115% of average water period ending March 2014 |
| Hospitals and Clinics | 100% of average water six months period ending April 2014 | 15% increase | 115% of average water period ending March 2014 |
| Industrial Consumers | 95% of average water six months period ending April 2014 | 15% increase | 1 litre/m ² /day |
| Water based industries | 100% of average water six months period ending April 2014 | 15% increase | 115% of average water period ending March 2014 |
| Restaurants | 100% of average water six months period ending April 2014 | 15% increase | 115% of average water period ending March 2014 |
| Commercial consumers, schools, churches, institutions, sports clubs etc. | 100% of average water six months period ending April 2014 | 15% increase | 115% of average water period ending March 2014 |

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| Peri urban Esigodini, Matopos, Llewellyn barracks, Sigola and Duncan villages | 80% of average water six months period ending March 2014 | 100% increase on present 80% | 100% of average water period ending March 2014 |
| Mzinyathini Irrigation scheme | 80% of entitlement (for domestic consumption only) for the six months period ending March 2014 | 10% decrease on present 80% | 80% of entitlement (for domestic consumption only) for the six months period ending March 2014 |
| New water connections | Connections to vacant stands and outside areas remains suspended | | 600 litres/day |

Surcharges will be imposed for all excess consumption per kilolitre or part thereof as follows:

- a) Non domestic peri-urban - Four times the normal water tariff for non-domestic peri urban
- b) Non domestic –Urban - Four times the normal water tariff for non-domestic urban

The new band structure for low density would be as follows:-

- First band – 0 to 5 kl charged at a tariff of \$0.00
- Second band – 5 to 14 kl charged at a tariff of \$0.78
- Third band – 14 to 25 kl charged at a tariff of \$1.04
- Fourth band – 25 to 30kl charged at a tariff of \$1.56
- Fifth band – above 30 kl charged at a tariff of \$4.00

For high density areas the bands would be as shown below:-

- First band – 0 to 5 kl charged at a tariff of \$0.00
- Second band – 5 to 14 kl charged at a tariff of \$0.78
- Third band – 14 to 22 kl charged at a tariff of \$1.04
- Fourth band – 22.4 to 25.5 kl charged at a tariff of \$1.56
- Fifth band – above 25.5 kl charged at a tariff of \$4.00

Consumers are urged to monitor their water consumption daily by reading their meters. This would help detect any unnecessary loss of water.

The following restrictions remain in force as per current scenario:

- The current ban on use of hose pipes use for gardening is temporarily suspended with this proposed water rationing scheme.
- Construction with potable water remains prohibited. Consumers are urged to use boreholes and reclaimed water for non-potable uses.

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