

## **WATERBEPERKINGS (Opgedateer: 28 November 2025)**

Hessequa Munisipaliteit doen 'n beroep op die inwoners van Hessequa om water spaarsamig te gebruik. Water is 'n kosbare kommoditeit en waterbesparing moet 'n leefstyl wees, nie net tydens droogte nie.

Rapporteer oortredings van die waterbeperrkings by jou naaste munisipale kantoor of by (028) 713 8000, (028) 713 2222 of 084 014 1828.

Die nuwe waterbeperrkings van toepassing op die verskillende dorpe in die Hessequa streek is soos volg:

### **VLAK 4 Waterbeperrkings: Witsand**

- Water mag slegs vir menslike gebruik aangewend word.
- Die natmaak van tuine word verbied.
- Afspuit van verharde oppervlakktes word verbied.
- Was van voertuie, karavane en bote word verbied.
- Indien ander bronne soos reënwater tenks of boorgate gebruik word, moet dit op 'n sigbare wyse aangedui word.
- Ouete huise, kwekerie en karwas besighede is uitgesluit van hierdie beperking.
- Die lewering van munisipale dienste, wat sportfasiliteite en munisipale bates insluit, is uitgesluit by bogenoemde beperkings en sal op 'n ad hoc basis deur Administrasie bestuur word.
- Die situasie in die verskeie dorpe sal gemonitor word en strenger beperkings sal ingestel word indien die toestand van waterbronne versleg.
- Wetstoepassing sal die situasie in die dorpe monitor en streng teen oortreders optree.
- Bogenoemde vervang vorige waterbeperrkings en is geldig vir Witsand.

### **VLAK 3 Waterbeperrkings: Albertinia, Heidelberg, Slangrivier en Jongensfontein**

- Tuine mag net een keer per week tussen 17:00 en 18:00 natgemaak word waarvan die ewe straatnommers op Dinsdae en die onewe straatnommers op Donderdae natgemaak mag word. Hierdie bepaling vervang alle vorige vergunnings vir die natmaak op ander tye.
- Tuinslange onder toesig, emmers, gieters en outomatiese besproeiingstelsels vir die natmaak van tuine, mag gebruik word op voorwaarde dat dit binne die toegelate tydgleuf gebeur.
- Indien ander bronne soos reënwater tenks of boorgate gebruik word, moet dit op 'n sigbare wyse aangedui word.
- Ouete huise, kwekerie en karwas besighede word uitgesluit van hierdie beperking.

- Die lewering van munisipale dienste, wat sportfasiliteite en munisipale bates insluit, is uitgesluit by bogenoemde beperkings en sal op ad-hoc basis deur Administrasie bestuur word.
- Die situasie in bogenoemde dorpe sal gemonitor word en strenger beperkings sal ingestel word indien die toestand van waterbronne versleg.
- Wetstoepassing sal die situasie in die dorpe monitor en streng teen oortreders optree.
- Bogenoemde vervang vorige waterbeperkings en is geldig vir Albertinia, Heidelberg, Slangrivier en Jongensfontein.

## **VLAK 2 Waterbeperkings: Gouritsmond, Stilbaai, Melkhoutfontein en Riversdal**

- Tuine mag net twee keer per week tussen 17:00 en 18:00 natgemaak word, waarvan die ewe straatnommers op Maandae en Donderdae en die onewe straatnommers op Dinsdae en Vrydae natgemaak mag word. Hierdie bepaling vervang alle vorige vergunnings vir die natmaak op ander tye.
- Tuinslange onder toesig, emmers, gieters en outomatiese besproeiingstelsels vir die natmaak van tuine, mag gebruik word op voorwaarde dat dit binne die toegelate tydgleuf gebeur.
- Afspuit van verharde oppervlaktes word verbied.
- Was van voertuie, karavane en bote mag slegs deur middel van 'n emmer gedoen word.
- Indien ander bronne soos reënwater tenks of boorgate gebruik word, moet dit op 'n sigbare wyse aangedui word.
- Ouete huise, kwekerye en karwas besighede is uitgesluit van hierdie beperking.
- Die lewering van munisipale dienste, wat sportfasiliteite en munisipale bates insluit, is uitgesluit by bogenoemde beperkings en sal op 'n ad hoc basis deur Administrasie bestuur word.
- Die situasie in die verskeie dorpe sal gemonitor word en strenger beperkings sal ingestel word indien die toestand van waterbronne versleg.
- Skriftelike versoeke vir die afspuit van huise se dakke met 'n hoëdruk spuit sal slegs goedgekeur word indien die vlak van die Korentepoortdam (Riversdal) hoër is as 50% [hierdie is slegs van toepassing op Riversdal].
- Die situasie in die verskeie dorpe sal gemonitor word en strenger beperkings sal ingestel word indien die toestand van waterbronne versleg.
- Wetstoepassing sal die situasie in die dorpe monitor en streng teen oortreders optree.
- Bogenoemde vervang vorige waterbeperkings en is geldig vir Gouritsmond, Stilbaai, Melkhoutfontein en Riversdal.

## **WATER RESTRICTIONS (Updated: 28 November 2025)**

Hessequa Municipality appeals to the residents of Hessequa to use water sparingly. Water is a precious commodity and water conservation should be a lifestyle, not just during drought.

Report violations of the water restrictions at your nearest municipal office or at (028) 713 8000, (028) 713 2222 or 084 014 1828.

The new water restrictions applicable to the various towns in the Hessequa region are as follows:

### **LEVEL 4 Water Restrictions: Witsand**

- Water may only be used for human consumption.
- Watering gardens is prohibited.
- Hosing down of paving and cement surfaces is prohibited.
- Washing of vehicles, caravans and boats is prohibited.
- Properties where alternative water resources such as rainwater tanks or boreholes are used, must ensure that it is clearly indicated.
- Nursing homes, nurseries and car wash businesses are excluded from this restriction.
- The provision of municipal services, which include sports facilities and municipal assets, is excluded from the above restrictions and will be managed by the Administration on an ad hoc basis.
- The situation in the various towns will be monitored and stricter restrictions will be imposed if the state of water sources deteriorates.
- Law enforcement will monitor the situation in the towns and take strict action against offenders.
- This replaces previous restrictions and is valid for Witsand.

### **LEVEL 3 Water Restrictions: Albertinia, Heidelberg, Slangrivier and Jongensfontein**

- Gardens may only be watered once a week between 17:00 and 18:00. Even street numbers may water their gardens on Tuesdays and odd street numbers on Thursdays. This provision supersedes all previous permissions for watering gardens at other times.
- Garden hoses, buckets, watering cans and automatic irrigation systems may be used for watering gardens, provided this occurs within the permitted time slot. Garden hoses may only be used if supervised.
- Properties where alternative water resources such as rainwater tanks or boreholes are used, must ensure that it is clearly indicated.
- Nursing homes, nurseries and car wash businesses are excluded from this restriction.

- The provision of municipal services, which include sports facilities and municipal assets, is excluded from the above restrictions and will be managed by the Administration on an ad hoc basis.
- The situation in the above towns will be monitored and stricter restrictions will be imposed if the state of water sources deteriorates.
- Law enforcement will monitor the situation in the towns and take strict action against offenders.
- This replaces previous restrictions and is valid for Albertinia, Heidelberg, Slangrivier and Jongensfontein.

#### **LEVEL 2 Water Restrictions: Gouritsmond, Stilbaai, Melkhoutfontein and Riversdale**

- Gardens may only be watered twice a week between 17:00 and 18:00. Even street numbers may water their gardens on Mondays and Thursdays and odd street numbers on Tuesdays and Fridays. This provision replaces all previous permits for watering at other times.
- Garden hoses, buckets, watering cans and automatic irrigation systems may be used for watering gardens, provided this occurs within the permitted time slot. Garden hoses may only be used if supervised.
- Hosing down of paving and cement surfaces is prohibited.
- Washing of vehicles, caravans and boats may only be done by means of a bucket.
- Properties where alternative water resources such as rainwater tanks or boreholes are used, must ensure that it is clearly indicated.
- Nursing homes, nurseries and car wash businesses are excluded from this restriction.
- The provision of municipal services, which include sports facilities and municipal assets, is excluded from the above restrictions and will be managed by the Administration on an ad hoc basis.
- Written requests for the hosing down of roof tops with a high-pressure sprayer will only be considered if the level of the Korentepoort Dam (Riversdale) is above 50% [this is applicable to Riversdale only].
- The situation in the above towns will be monitored and stricter restrictions will be imposed if the state of water sources deteriorates.
- Law enforcement will monitor the situation in the towns and take strict action against offenders.
- This replaces previous restrictions and is valid for valid for Gouritsmond, Stilbaai, Melkhoutfontein and Riversdale.

## **Water Saving Tips**

1. Turn off the tap when you brush your teeth – this can save 6 litres of water per minute.
2. Place a cistern displacement device in your toilet cistern to reduce the volume of water used in each flush.
3. Take a shorter shower. Shower can use anything between 6 and 45 litres per minute.
4. Always use full loads in your washing machine and dishwasher – this cuts out unnecessary washes in between.
5. Fix a dripping tap. A dripping tap can waste 15 litres of water a day, or 5,500 litres of water a year.
6. Install a water butt to your drainpipe and use the water collected to water your plants, clean your car and wash your windows.
7. Water your garden with a watering can rather than a hosepipe. A hosepipe uses 1,000 litres of water an hour. Mulching your plants (with bark chippings, heavy compost or straw) and watering in the early morning and late afternoon will reduce evaporation and also save water.
8. Fill a jug with tap water and place this in your fridge. This will mean you do not have to leave the cold tap running for the water to run cold before you fill your glass.
9. Invest in water-efficient goods when you need to replace household products. You can now buy water-efficient showerheads, taps, toilets, washing machines, dishwashers and many other water-saving products.