

**POLICY:** WATER – LEVYING OF WATER RATES

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**FILE REFERENCE:** 16.00065

**OBJECTIVE:** To establish guidelines for the levying of Annual Charges for water in connection with water supply.

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Annual charges for water supply services shall be levied on:

1. land which is connected to a water pipe of the Council and supplied with water from that water pipe of the council OR,
2. land that is situated within 225 metres of a water pipe of the council whether the land has a frontage or not to the public road (if any) in which the water pipe is laid, although the land is not actually supplied with water from any water pipe of the council (subject to land which is prevented or prohibited from connection by the provisions of paragraph b.),
  - a. PROVIDED THAT land which is not connected to council’s water supply and which shall not be subdivided or used for residential, industrial or commercial purposes in accordance with Council’s current Town Planning Instrument, shall be exempt from annual charges for water,
  - b. AND FURTHER PROVIDED THAT, in the case of commercial strata properties used only for the purposes of self storage facilities or car parking spaces, where water supply services are not connected to the individual strata units, water supply annual charges shall be levied on the Body Corporate of the strata plan and not on the individual strata unit owners in accordance with Council’s Revenue Policy for water and sewer access charges.
  - c. AND ALSO PROVIDED THAT owners of land along the water supply main to Perthville who do not require a connection to the Perthville water supply main at the present time shall only be permitted to connect at a later date, subject to payment of:
    - i. a water connection fee; and
    - ii. an amount equivalent to the water annual charges that would have been levied for the preceding 5 years for that property,

3. HOWEVER, where water is supplied by standpipe, a charge relating to water supply may not be levied on land unless water could be supplied to some part of the land from a standpipe at least 1 metre in height from the ground level, if such a pipe were laid and connected to the Council's mains.