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Water Amendment Regulation 2025

Subordinate Legislation 2025 No. 64

made under the

Water Act 2000

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1 Short title

This regulation may be cited as the *Water Amendment Regulation 2025*.

2 Regulation amended

This regulation amends the *Water Regulation 2016*.

3 Replacement of s 64 (Public notice of application for water allocation dealing)

Section 64—

omit, insert—

64 Public notice of application for water allocation dealing

(1) This section applies if—

- (a) the chief executive is satisfied the application complies with section 63; and
- (b) the water allocation dealing rules require a notice of the application to be published.

(2) The chief executive must publish, on a Queensland Government website, a notice (a ***water allocation submissions notice***) that—

- (a) states the application has been made; and
- (b) includes the following information—
 - (i) where copies of the application may be inspected;
 - (ii) that written submissions may be made by any entity about the application;
 - (iii) the day, that is not earlier than 30 business days after the day the notice is published, by which the submissions must be made (the ***closing day***);
 - (iv) the person to whom the submissions must be made.

- (3) The chief executive may, by notice, require the applicant to publish a copy of the water allocation submissions notice for a stated period and in a stated way.
- (4) Within 10 business days after the applicant publishes the copy of the water allocation submissions notice under subsection (3), the applicant must give the chief executive evidence of the publication.
- (5) The chief executive may—
 - (a) send a copy of the water allocation submissions notice to any entity the chief executive considers appropriate; and
 - (b) decide the application after the closing day.
- (6) The application lapses if the applicant fails, without reasonable excuse, to comply with—
 - (a) the notice mentioned in subsection (3); or
 - (b) the requirement under subsection (4).

4 Amendment of s 72 (Particular water allocation dealings to be assessed and notice of application published)

Section 72(2)—

omit, insert—

- (2) A notice of the application must be published under section 64.

5 Amendment of s 96 (Destroying vegetation, excavating or placing fill in a watercourse, lake or spring—Act, s 814)

Section 96(1)(e), from ‘the department’s’ to ‘portal’—

omit, insert—

a Queensland Government website

6 Amendment of s 97 (Requirements for decommissioning a water bore—Act, s 817)

Section 97, from ‘the department’s’ to ‘portal’—

omit, insert—

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7 Amendment of s 99 (Requirements for accepted development for operational work for taking water—Act, s 1014)

(1) Section 99(2), ‘section 1014(2)(g)’—

omit, insert—

section 1014(2)(f)

(2) Section 99(3), from ‘the department’s’ to ‘portal’—

omit, insert—

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8 Amendment of s 101A (Requirements for accepted development for category 1 levees—Act, s 1014)

(1) Section 101A(2), ‘section 1014(2)(g)’—

omit, insert—

section 1014(2)(f)

(2) Section 101A(3), definition *levee code*, from ‘the department’s’ to ‘portal’—

omit, insert—

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9 Amendment of s 104 (Duly qualified persons—Act, s 217B)

(1) Section 104(4), ‘Subsection (2)’—

omit, insert—

Subsection (3)

[s 10]

- (2) Section 104(5), definition *modular meter*, ‘that includes 2 or more sensors’—

omit, insert—

that has 1 or more externally attached sensors

10 Amendment of s 127 (Conditions of water bore driller’s licence—Act, s 983A)

Section 127(a) and (b), from ‘the department’s’ to ‘portal’—

omit, insert—

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11 Insertion of new pt 16, div 6

Part 16—

insert—

**Division 6 Transitional provision for
Water Amendment
Regulation 2025**

**171 Application of new s 64 to notice of
applications for water allocation dealing not
published before commencement**

- (1) This section applies, if—

- (a) before the commencement, a person made an application for a water allocation dealing under section 63; and

- (b) immediately before the commencement—

- (i) the water allocation dealing rules required the applicant to publish a notice under former section 64; and
- (ii) the applicant had not published that notice.

- (2) From the commencement—
 - (a) new section 64 applies in relation to the application; and
 - (b) former section 64 does not apply in relation to the application.
- (3) In this section—

former section 64 means section 64 as in force immediately before the commencement.

new section 64 means section 64 as in force from the commencement.

12 Amendment of sch 4 (Prescribed entities)

Schedule 4—

insert—

- 47 Elanda Point Pty Ltd ACN 679 138 071
- 48 Tangalooma Island Resort Pty. Ltd. ACN 010 170 902

13 Amendment of sch 11 (Measurement requirements—relevant authorisations and measurement devices)

- (1) Schedule 11, entry for *Water Plan (Border Rivers and Moonie) 2019*, entry for underground water management area, column 3, ‘to 30 November 2027’—

omit.
- (2) Schedule 11, entry for *Water Plan (Burnett Basin) 2014*, after entry for Barambah Creek groundwater management area—

insert—

Barker–Barambah Creeks water management area	water allocation 2189/AP6975	a meter
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- (3) Schedule 11, entry for *Water Plan (Burnett Basin) 2014*, entry for subcatchment area J—

[s 14]

omit.

- (4) Schedule 11, entry for *Water Plan (Great Artesian Basin and Other Regional Aquifers) 2017*, entry for Gatton Esk Road Marburg groundwater sub-area, column 2—

omit, insert—

all water licences, other than water
licences to take water for stock or
domestic purposes only

- (5) Schedule 11, entry for *Water Plan (Great Artesian Basin and Other Regional Aquifers) 2017*, entry for Gatton Esk Road Woogaroo groundwater sub-area, column 2, paragraphs (d), (i) and (k)—

omit.

- (6) Schedule 11, entry for *Water Plan (Great Artesian Basin and Other Regional Aquifers) 2017*, entry for Gatton Esk Road Woogaroo groundwater sub-area, column 2, paragraphs (e) to (o)—

renumber as paragraphs (d) to (l).

- (7) Schedule 11, entry for *Water Plan (Logan Basin) 2007*, entry for Logan River water management area, column 2—

omit, insert—

all water allocations

14 Amendment of sch 11A (Measurement requirements—information about water taken)

Schedule 11A, table 2, entry for relevant authorisation for taking water in the Lockyer Valley groundwater management area under the *Water Plan (Moreton) 2007*, column 2—

omit, insert—

the period from 1 July of a year to 30 June
of the following year

ENDNOTES

- 1 Made by the Governor in Council on 26 June 2025.
- 2 Notified on the Queensland legislation website on 27 June 2025.
- 3 The administering agency is the Department of Local Government, Water and Volunteers.

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