

WATER METER MONITORING

You may be able to REDUCE your water consumption by simply monitoring your water usage.

USE THE STEPS BELOW TO SHOW YOU HOW

To read your water meter simply follow these steps.

Step 1 Use the photos below to identify the type of meter you want to read.
(To see the meter's display, flip its lid).

Step 2 Use the diagrams under the photos to understand how to read your meter.

BLACK number = Kilolitres (kl)

RED number = litres (ltr) (1,000 litres = 1 Kilolitre).



3544kl and 266ltr



157kl and 167.2ltr



0kl and 350ltr



1761kl and 119ltr



27kl and 755ltr



0kl and 321.7ltr

WATER USAGE RECORD

Setting up a water usage record similar to the one below can assist you to record how much water is used, why it was used and most importantly where less could be used.

An average Gympie Region house uses 22 kilolitres of water per month.

| Date | Meter Reading | Amount used | Comments |
|-------------|----------------------|--------------------|---------------------------------|
| 01/01/2014 | 123.321 | | |
| 15/01/2014 | 131.311 | 7.990 Kilolitres | Hot/dry, waterer garden |
| 31/01/2014 | 146.520 | 15.209 Kilolitres | Dry, extra family visiting |
| Total month | | 23.199 Kilolitres | |
| 01/02/2014 | 146.520 | | |
| 14/02/2014 | 149.985 | 3.465 Kilolitres | Wet week, no watering |
| 28/02/2014 | 156.223 | 6.238 Kilolitres | Overcast, cloudy/ away two days |
| Total month | Etc. | etc | etc |

You can also use a water meter to test for internal Leaks!

1. Turn off all taps and water using devices.
2. Take a reading of your water meter before you go out shopping, visiting, etc. (3 hours or longer will do).
3. Reread meter upon return before any water appliance, taps, etc are used.

If the meter reading has changed and there may be an internal leak-you can work how many litres an hour has been used or lost using the above record chart.

Internal leaks are the responsibility of the property owner and a plumber should be contacted to initiate repairs,

Or

Contact Gympie Regional Council for advice on 1300 307 800.

Council also offers a water meter test (at owners cost) if meter is believed to be registering abnormal or unexplained readings. If meter is proved to be reading incorrectly cost will be refunded and adjustments to rates notice will be applied.