

Water Smart Gardens and Homes Rebate Scheme

Be rewarded for buying and installing water smart products in your home.

The Water Smart Gardens and Homes Rebate Scheme has been extended for four more years from 1 July 2007, with some exciting new products.

New products included in the rebate scheme:

- Hot water recirculating devices that help save the cold water which initially comes out of the hot water taps when first turned on. These devices redirect the cold water in the hot water pipes back into the household water supply until hot. This ensures that water is not wasted.
- The rebate for water efficient showerheads has been split into two rebates – the existing rebate of \$10 for showerheads costing between \$30 and \$100, and a new rebate of \$20 for showerheads costing over \$100. In addition, households can now claim two showerhead rebates per eligible property.
- Four new products have been added to the basket of goods (\$30 rebate when the purchase of one or more products with a COMBINED VALUE of \$100 or more is made). These include:
 - rainwater diverters
 - waterless car cleaning products
 - shower timers
 - toilet flush interrupter devices

Since January 2003 there has been an overwhelming response to take part and help save water. Over 162,000 rebates have been approved helping Victorians save more than 1.4 billion litres of drinking water a year.

From 1 January 2007, Victorians on a reticulated water supply have been eligible for rebates of up to \$1000 on the purchase and installation of a large rainwater tank connected to your toilet and/or laundry and installed by a licensed plumber.

If you bought and installed an eligible product before 30 June 2007 you have until 30 September 2007 to claim a rebate under the existing terms and conditions.

Products you can claim a rebate on

| Product | Description |
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| Rainwater tank and rainwater tank to | A household rainwater tank collects rainwater for use inside or outside your home. |

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| toilet connection | More about using rainwater tanks, permits and regulations |
| | <p>\$150 for a tank 600 litres or greater. An additional \$150 for toilet connection.</p> |
| Large rainwater tank | <p>\$1000 for a tank 5000+ litres connected to toilet and laundry \$900 for a tank 5000+ litres connected to toilet or laundry \$500 for tank 2000-4999 litres connected to toilet and/or laundry</p> |
| | <p>Download Rainwater Tank Fact Sheet</p> |
| Greywater systems | <p>A greywater permanent tank system recycles waste water from laundries and bathrooms for use on the garden or in the toilet.</p> |
| \$500 | <p>More about using greywater in your garden</p> |
| dual flush toilet | <p>A dual flush toilet uses 3 litres of water on a half flush, 6 litres or less on a full flush.</p> |
| \$50 | |
| three-star water efficient showerhead | <p>A water efficient showerhead can use 30% less water than a normal showerhead and can be fitted to most showers. Up to two showerhead rebates are available per property.</p> |
| \$10 or \$20 | <p>\$10 – rebate per showerhead costing between \$30 and \$100 \$20 – rebate per showerhead costing more than \$100</p> |
| Hot water recirculator | <p>These devices help save the cold water which initially comes out of the hot water taps when first turned on. Recirculators redirect the cold water in the hot water pipes back into the household water supply until hot. This ensures that water is not wasted.</p> |
| \$150 | |
| Water conservation home audits | <p>A service to assess where a household could save water, and recommend products and methods that would help to do this.</p> |
| \$50 | <p>More about doing a home water audit</p> |

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| <p>A basket of goods \$30 when you spend \$100</p> | <p>Includes products such as mulch (includes pebbles or other inorganic materials which are used as mulch), flow control devices, soil wetting or moisture agents, compost or mulch bin, soil moisture & rain sensors, garden tap timers, drip watering system or weep hoses, trigger nozzles, temporary greywater diverters, rainwater diverters, waterless car cleaning products, shower timers and toilet flush interrupter devices. One basket offer rebate is available per eligible customer each year.</p> <p>More about using Mulch to save water</p> |
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