

Special Talking Water

Monday 9 May 2016



Murray Irrigation

End of season arrangements – water allocation accounts

Customers are reminded of the following key dates for the end of the 2015/16 irrigation season:

External trade (to or from Murray Irrigation)	Forms must be received by 5.00pm Friday 27 May
Murray Water Exchange *	Closes 5.00pm Friday 3 June
Internal annual transfers	Closes 5.00pm Friday 10 June
Murray Water Exchange/internal and external annual transfers	Re-opens Friday 1 July 2016

* Close for use of the Murray Water Exchange facility for Western Murray Irrigation is 5.00pm Thursday 26 May.

Carryover

Customers are reminded that up to 50 percent of Class C water entitlements can be carried over to the 2016/17 irrigation season. Customers may need to balance any volume remaining in their accounts to avoid exceeding the 50 percent limit and forfeiting water. If your account volume exceeds 50 percent of your water entitlements at the end of the season, the water will be forfeited.

Customers with more than one landholding are advised to balance their remaining water allocation over all landholdings to achieve maximum volumes of carryover.

If you have a merged account there is no need to transfer remaining allocation between landholdings. All other customers, including customers with accounts consolidated for billing purposes, are advised to balance the volume remaining between landholdings as a percentage of water entitlements.

Please note: having a consolidated account for billing purposes does not balance water between landholdings.

Customers seeking to balance carryover volumes are required to complete internal annual transfers by Friday 10 June.

Water usage - annual delivery entitlements - Casual Usage Fee

Customers are encouraged to consider their water usage to the end of the season and ensure they have enough annual delivery entitlements to prevent incurring the Casual Usage Fee in their fourth quarter (April-June) account.

Customers whose water usage exceeds 120 percent of their annual delivery entitlements can either pay the Casual Usage fee or purchase annual delivery entitlements on the Water Exchange market.

Customers are reminded that the last day for purchase of annual delivery entitlements is Friday 3 June.

If you are interested in merging your accounts, please complete *Form 34 – Merge/Consolidate Water Accounts*, which is available via the 'Customers' then 'Forms' and 'General forms' section of our website www.murrayirrigation.com.au. Please note accounts must be financial to enable merging.

A fact sheet on merging/consolidating water accounts is available via the 'Customers' then 'Customer Information' section of the Murray Irrigation website.

For further information or assistance, please contact Murray Irrigation's Customer Support Team via reception on T 1300 138 265.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Scott Barlow'.

Scott Barlow, Executive Manager Customer Operations