

# Special Talking Water

Friday 5 May 2017



Murray Irrigation

## End of season arrangements – water allocation accounts

Customers are reminded of the following key dates for the end of the 2016/17 irrigation season:

External trade - Murrumbidgee, Murray and Lower Darling (to or from Murray Irrigation)	Forms must be received by 5.00pm <b>Tuesday 30 May</b>
Murray Water Exchange*	Closes 5.00pm <b>Friday 2 June</b>
Internal annual transfers	Closes 5.00pm <b>Friday 9 June</b>
Murray Water Exchange/internal and external annual transfers	Re-opens 9.00am <b>Monday 3 July</b>

\*Close for use of the Murray Water Exchange facility for Western Murray Irrigation is 5.00pm **Monday 29 May**.

### Carryover

- Customers are reminded that a volume of up to 50 percent of Class C water entitlements can be carried over each season.
- If your water account volume exceeds 50 percent of your water entitlements at the end of the season, any excess water will be forfeited.
- Customers with more than one landholding account (that are not currently merged) are advised to balance their remaining water allocation over all landholdings to achieve maximum volumes of carryover.
- Internal annual transfers to balance carryover must be completed by **Friday 9 June**.
- There is no carryover on Delivery Entitlements.
- Carryover is not 'lost' from water allocation accounts when there is a dam spill.
- Having a consolidated account for billing purposes does not balance water between landholdings.
- Class A and B high security water entitlements have no access to carryover.

### Carryover impact on 2017/18 allocation

The maximum annual allocation that can be received in any irrigation season is determined at the commencement of each season from the formula below:



- Once the allocation account reaches its **limit of 110 percent** (carryover + allocation), no additional water is allocated to that account. For example, if you carryover 40 percent, any allocation exceeding 70 percent will be forfeited.
- Water traded on and off the allocation account **does not** change your maximum allocation.

### Water usage - 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.
- The last day for purchase of annual delivery entitlements is **Friday 2 June**.

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

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