Rural water supplies

Since all rural supply customers are required to ensure they have three days storage capacity, below we have some average water usage figures so you can work out how many water units you need for yourself and your stock. Capacity is linked to consumption demand, for instance dairy cattle need 70 litres per day each so consumers need to ensure they have purchased enough units of water to cover their needs.

Daily stock Requirements from the Canterbury Natural Resources Regional Plan:

- Sheep (in milk dry pasture) 15 litres per day each
- Sheep (not in milk dry pasture) 6 litres per day each
- Lambs (dry pasture) 2 litres per day each
- Dairy Cattle (in lactation) 70 litres per day each
- Dairy Cattle (dry) 45 litres per day each
- Beef Cattle 45 litres per day each
- Calves 25 litres per day each
- Horses (working) 55 litres per day each
- Horses (grazing) 35 litres per day each
- Sows 25 litres per day each
- Pigs 11 litres per day each
- Poultry (per 100 birds) 30 litres per day
- Turkey (per 100 birds) 55 litres per day
- Households 230 litres per day per person

Please calculate your daily requirements against your current purchased supply. If you have any queries please contact 03 3148816

Rural Water Supply reminder

A reminder that it is an offence to tamper with the restricting device that controls the flow of scheme water to your tank.

In accordance with our Fees and Charges, replacement part costs and a fee for resetting the restrictor can be charged.

Your tampering negatively impacts on the supply to others.