

TRANSFER of PERMANENT WATER



Guidelines for the EASTERN CAPE

All new irrigation water use (and section 25(2) permanent transfers) must go through the license application process which is dealt with by DWS, Gqeberha (formerly Port Elizabeth):

The Licensee must apply for a license on the **DWS EWULAAS** portal.

All clients or appointed consultants who wish to acquire a water use authorisation need to register and apply on the Electronic Water Use Licence Application and Authorisation System (E-WULAAS). E-WULAAS is the **online web portal** for the submission, processing and authorisation of water use licence applications. This online portal allows prospective water users to **register free** of charge, submit their applications for water uses, and interact with DWS in a secure online environment.

To access the online portal, visit this webpage:
<http://www.dwa.gov.za/ewulaasprod>

From the landing page of this link, you will need to select "Not Registered" to register and follow the prompts for registration. After the registration process is done, an email, with a link to set up a password, will be sent to you.

You will have to open that link and set up a password. Thereafter you can login with your registered details to initiate your application.

The application process is initiated with a Pre-Application Enquiry, which details your intent to formally apply for a water use authorisation. The pre-application enquiry includes a :

- **Reason** for the water use application;
- The **main activity** that will take place for this application;
- Primary **sector** related to the activity;
- Detailed **description** of your intended activity (for example, irrigation crop, irrigation area size, type of irrigation system to be used etc.);
- **Location** of the intended activity (nearest town and coordinates nearest to where the activity is/will be taking place)
- **Volume** of water being applied for in cubic meters per year; and
- **Distance** from the nearest water resource to where the activity is/will be taking place (in kilometres).

Once a Pre-Application Enquiry has been submitted to the Department, the Water Authorisation Unit will assign your application to a Technical Case Officer who will assess the enquiry and advise on the Authorisation Type which your application would pursue. Further information required by Department will be communicated to you through a designated Water Use Authorisation Official.

For further assistance please do contact the DWS Port Elizabeth office.

You may also contact the Department:

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