

# Percentage of time rainwater tank will meet full domestic daily demand at

LYNDOCH (Average Annual Rainfall – 510mm)

RAINWATER TANK SIZE SELECTION TABLE

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## HOW TO USE THIS TABLE

STEP 1 Identify proposed roof area.
STEP 2 Identify Rainwater Use Option.

STEP 3 Identify tank capacity.

STEP 4 Identify the category (colour code) the roof area, rainwater use option and tank capacity

combination fall within.

STEP 5 Refer to Legend.

STEP 6 Select larger roof area (if possible), alternative rainwater use option and/or larger tank capacity and repeat STEPS 1 to

5.

#### **NOTES**

- 1 For all options within the orange (16 50%) and yellow (51 75%) range, it is recommended that the following variations to your proposal be considered to maximise the value of your rainwater tank selection:-
  - increase the roof area to be connected to the rainwater tank, if possible;
  - select a larger tank; and/or
  - change to water use efficient devices within the home, eg front loading washing machine (can save up to 20% of average daily water demand per household).
- 2 This "Rainwater Tank Size Selection Table" should be read in conjunction with the Board's "Rainwater Tank Use Information Sheet".
- 3 This "Rainwater Tank Size Selection Table" DOES NOT ALLOW FOR WATER STORAGE FOR FIRE FIGHTING REQUIREMENTS.
- **4** The internal water use estimates are based upon a 3 person household.
- For advice beyond the scope of this table (eg tanks smaller than 4,500L or larger than 22,000L) please contact the SA Murray-Darling Basin NRM Board on Ph: 8532 1432.

Rainwater Use Option		High internal use			Medium internal use 1			Medium internal use 2			Low grade uses			
Description		11L single flush toilet, 100% laundry ( front load WM) & HWS			(6/3L) Dual flush toilet, AAA- rated shower head, 100% laundry (top load WM) & HWS			(6/3L) Dual flush toilet, AAA- rated shower head, 100% laundry (front load WM) & HWS			(6/3L) Dual flush toilet and 100% laundry (front load WM) only			
Tank capacity (L)		4,500	13,500	22,000	4,500	13,500	22,000	4,500	13,500	22,000	1,000	4,500	13,500	22,000
Roof area to be connected to rainwater tank (m²)	50	9%	9%	9%	17%	17%	17%	24%	24%	24%	45%	57%	59%	59%
	100	26%	27%	27%	41%	43%	43%	52%	57%	58%	60%	83%	98%	98%
	150	40%	44%	45%	55%	64%	67%	65%	78%	85%	66%	92%	98%	98%
Roc	200	48%	57%	60%	63%	77%	83%	73%	88%	96%	70%	96%	99%	99%

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Category	Effectiveness of chosen roof area and tank capacity to meet full domestic daily demand	Recommendation				
	Rainwater tank will meet full daily demand 0 – 15 % of the time.	Not recommended				
	Rainwater tank will meet full daily demand 16 – 50% of the time.	Satisfactory, but alternative recommended for the intended use (refer to Note 1).				
	Rainwater tank will meet full daily demand 51 – 75% of the time.	Satisfactory, but alternative recommended for the intended use (refer to Note 1).				
	Rainwater tank will meet full daily demand 76 – 90% of the time.	Recommended – Roof area and tank capacity selected are suitable for the intended use.				
	Rainwater tank will meet full daily demand 91 - 100% of the time.	Highly recommended – Roof area and tank capacity selected are suitable for the intended use.				

### **Acronyms**

HWS Hot water service WM Washing machine WC Toilet