

Portable water stations

Sustainable. Free to hire.

As part of our commitment to supporting our communities where we live and work, we provide portable water units and trailers for eligible community events. This offers our communities a high quality, zero cost, zero waste alternative to purchasing bottled water.

How does the program work?

Event organisers contact Sydney Water to book the appropriate water stations from our available trailers, bubblers and refill units on a free-to-hire basis.

We assess this request against our criteria and coordinate the loan of the equipment. The event organiser covers only the cost of delivery, set up and bump out and servicing of the equipment at the end of the event. This is a flat fee* to be paid directly to our approved supplier.

Sydney Water will also assist by providing sustainability messages for you to promote your event.

After the event we'll provide an event sustainability report on the:

- volume of tap water consumed by event attendees
- amount of equivalent plastic bottle waste avoided
- amount of energy saved.

The event organiser is responsible for promoting drinking tap water and refilling bottles rather than unnecessary purchases of plastic bottled water.

Is your event eligible?

We'll assess each request on a case-by-case basis against the following mandatory criteria:

- At least 1,000 people must be expected to attend the event, which must be located within Sydney Water's area of operations.
- It must be a community event lasting a minimum of five hours (no private parties).
- There must be easy access to water mains or drinking water tap connections (ideally within 20 metres).
- The event date must not conflict with other major Sydney Water supported events.

- The event organiser must not ask Sydney Water to pay exhibition or stall-related costs to provide the units.
- The event must have a sustainability focus, such as encouraging people to bring a refillable bottle to reduce waste and live healthy by making tap water their drink.
- There must be no conflict of interest with bottled water products, sports and energy drinks, filtered water products and providers, and direct water provider competitors.
- The event must not conflict with Sydney Water's interest or NSW Government policy or objectives. It must also have no religious, political or socially divisive objectives.
- Water unit loans are subject to availability. If demand is high, we may not be able to confirm the loan until four weeks before the event.
- We must receive the request for water stations at least four weeks before the event.
- The event organiser must sign and return a formal loan agreement with Sydney Water.

Contact us

For more information, contact the Sydney Water Partnerships team:

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