Clearwater Tool for Water Sensitive Urban Design Guidelines

A tool assisting professionals to find the right information to better manage Water Sensitive Urban Design assets at any stage of the project management process

1. Introduction

Overview

The Clearwater Tool for Water Sensitive Urban Design (WSUD) Guidelines provides an overview of a selection of some of the best available WSUD guidelines. The tool draws on the wealth of publicly available guidelines, and organises them into a matrix according to the WSUD asset type and the project management stage they relate to, so that the user can quickly and easily find the information most relevant to them.

How to use the tool

- Users can navigate the tool via two methods, either by using the traditional contents page or the matrix.

- At the end of each page there is a link “back to the top” which takes the user back to the matrix page.

- Each cell in the matrix is hyperlinked to the relevant chapter of the relevant document. If the user clicks on the symbol in the cell, the tool will display the related section of information.

- If the cell says “N/A” that means there are no guidelines available for that category.

- The guidelines within the categories are listed in no particular order.

Acknowledgement

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Feedback

If you wish to provide feedback or submit a guideline for the tool, please contact the Clearwater team via info@clearwatervic.com.au. Don’t forget to use “Clearwater Tool for Water Sensitive Urban Design Guidelines” in the subject line.
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WSUD systems in general – Planning & compliance
- Melbourne Water: Clause 56 and council permits
- Melbourne Water: Developing a Strategic Approach to WSUD Implementation – Guidelines for Councils
- Melbourne Water: Stormwater management – Early planning – planning meeting requirements
- Melbourne Water: STORM and MUSIC tools

WSUD systems in general – Concept, functional & detailed design
- Melbourne Water: Stormwater management – Concept design
- Melbourne Water: Stormwater management – Detailed design
- Melbourne Water: Stormwater management – Functional design

WSUD systems in general – Construction & handover
- Melbourne Water: Stormwater management – Construction and handover

WSUD systems in general – Operation & maintenance
- Melbourne Water: Stormwater management – Maintenance
- MUSIC Auditor
- New WAter Ways (Western Australia): WSUD Fact Sheets – Maintaining WSUD assets

WSUD systems in general – Case Studies & examples
N/A
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Stormwater harvesting and rainwater tanks – Overview of WSUD asset

- Melbourne Water: Rainwater tanks

- New WAter Ways (Western Australia): WSUD Fact Sheets – Rainwater storage and reuse systems

Stormwater harvesting and rainwater tanks – Planning & compliance

- Melbourne Water: Stormwater harvesting guidelines

- Melbourne Water: Stormwater harvesting licence

- Melbourne Water: Rainwater tank diversion – instruction sheet

- Natural Resource Management Ministerial Council, Environment Protection and Heritage Council, National Health and Medical Research Council: Australian Guidelines for Water Recycling (Phase 2) - Stormwater Harvest and Reuse

Stormwater harvesting and rainwater tanks – Concept, functional & detailed design

- Melbourne Water: Guidelines for stormwater harvesting on Melbourne Water drainage assets – Design, construction and maintenance of diversion structures Chapter 1-3, 6 & 7 (design)

- Melbourne Water: Stormwater harvesting – Design checklist

- Melbourne Water: Rainwater tank diversion – instruction sheet

- Melbourne Water: WSUD Engineering procedures: stormwater

- Natural Resource Management Ministerial Council, Environment Protection and Heritage Council, National Health and Medical Research Council: Australian Guidelines for Water Recycling (Phase 2) - Stormwater Harvest and Reuse

Stormwater harvesting and rainwater tanks – Construction & handover

- Melbourne Water: Guidelines for stormwater harvesting on Melbourne Water drainage assets – Design, construction and maintenance of diversion structures Chapter 4 (construction)

- Melbourne Water: Rainwater tank diversion – instruction sheet
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Stormwater harvesting and rainwater tanks – Operation & maintenance
- Melbourne Water: Guidelines for stormwater harvesting on Melbourne Water drainage assets – Design, construction and maintenance of diversion structures - Chapter 5 (Maintenance)
- Melbourne Water: Rainwater tank diversion – instruction sheet
- Natural Resource Management Ministerial Council, Environment Protection and Heritage Council, National Health and Medical Research Council: Australian Guidelines for Water Recycling (Phase 2) - Stormwater Harvest and Reuse

Stormwater harvesting and rainwater tanks – Case studies & examples
- AECOM for Moonee Valley City Council: Napier Park Stormwater Reuse Project – concept Design Report:
Raingardens and bioretention systems – Overview of WSUD asset


Raingardens and bioretention systems – Planning & compliance


Raingardens and bioretention systems – Concept, functional & detailed design

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- CRC for Water Sensitive Cities: Adoption Guidelines for Stormwater Biofiltration Systems Appendix F - Biofilters that look good – Enhancing aesthetics, community appreciation and acceptance

- CRC for Water Sensitive Cities: Adoption guidelines for stormwater biofiltration systems: Chapter 3 – Technical considerations

- Melbourne Water: Downpipe diversion - instruction sheet

- Melbourne Water: Infiltration raingarden - instruction sheet

- Melbourne Water: Inground raingarden - instruction sheet

- Melbourne Water: Planter box raingarden - Instruction sheet

- Melbourne Water: Raingarden Design for Melbourne’s West

- Melbourne Water: Raingardens – Design checklist

- Melbourne Water: Vegetable raingarden - instruction sheet
  https://www.melbournewater.com.au/media/452/download

- Melbourne Water: WSUD Engineering procedures: stormwater

- Moreland Council: Streetscape raingarden and tree pit design package

Raingardens and bioretention systems – Construction & handover

- CRCWSC: Adoption Guidelines for Stormwater Biofiltration Systems Appendix A7 - Biofilter construction checks

- CRC for Water Sensitive Cities: Adoption Guidelines for Stormwater Biofiltration Systems Appendix K: Maintenance requirements for biofiltration systems: plan and checking tools – Chapter 1,2,3 & 4

- CRC for Water Sensitive Cities: Adoption guidelines for stormwater biofiltration systems: Chapter 4.2 – Construction and establishment
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- Melbourne Water: Raingardens – Construction checklist
- Melbourne Water: Raingardens – Handover checklist
- Melbourne Water: Downpipe diversion - instruction sheet
- Melbourne Water: Infiltration raingarden - instruction sheet
- Melbourne Water: Inground raingarden - instruction sheet
- Melbourne Water: Planter box raingarden - instruction sheet
- Melbourne Water: Vegetable raingarden - instruction sheet
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Raingardens and bioretention systems – Operation & maintenance

- CRC for Water Sensitive Cities: Adoption Guidelines for Stormwater Biofiltration Systems Appendix A6 – Stormwater biofilter monitoring and maintenance
- CRC for Water Sensitive Cities: Adoption Guidelines for Stormwater Biofiltration Systems Appendix H – Performance assessment of biofiltration system using simulated rain events
- CRC for Water Sensitive Cities: Adoption guidelines for stormwater biofiltration systems: Chapter 4.3 - 4.4 – Inspection and maintenance requirements; Remedial works, re-sets and biofilter lifespan
- Melbourne Water: WSUD Maintenance – Asset manager guidelines – Raingardens Chapter 1
- Melbourne Water: Downpipe diversion - instruction sheet
- Melbourne Water: Infiltration raingarden - instruction sheet
- Melbourne Water: Inground raingarden - instruction sheet
- Melbourne Water: Planter box raingarden - instruction sheet
- Melbourne Water: Vegetable raingarden - instruction sheet
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- Melbourne Water: Planter box raingarden - instruction sheet
- Melbourne Water: Porous paving - instruction sheet
- Melbourne Water: Vegetable raingarden - instruction sheet
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Raingardens and bioretention systems – Case studies & examples
- CRC for Water Sensitive Cities: Adoption Guidelines for Stormwater Biofiltration Systems Appendix E – Case Studies
- Melbourne Water: Raingardens – Detailed design drawings – example
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Permeable pavement – Overview of WSUD asset
- New WAter Ways (Western Australia): WSUD Fact Sheets – Carpark developments/retrofits
- New WAter Ways (Western Australia): WSUD Fact Sheets – Pervious paving

Permeable pavement – Planning & compliance
N/A

Permeable pavement – Concept, functional & detailed design
- Melbourne Water: Porous paving - instruction sheet

Permeable pavement – Construction & handover
- Melbourne Water: Porous paving - instruction sheet

Permeable pavement – Operation & maintenance
- Melbourne Water: WSUD maintenance guidelines – Inspection and maintenance activities – Permeable pavement page 8-9
- Melbourne Water: WSUD Maintenance – Asset manager guidelines – Permeable pavements Chapter 5

Permeable pavement – Case studies & examples
N/A
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Treepits – Overview of WSUD asset
- New WAter Ways (Western Australia): WSUD Fact Sheets – Tree pits

Treepits – Planning & compliance
- Melbourne Water: WSUD life cycle costing

Treepits – Concept, functional & detailed design
- Moreland Council: Streetscape raingarden and tree pit design package

Treepits – Construction & handover
  N/A

Treepits – Operation & maintenance
- Melbourne Water: WSUD Maintenance – Asset manager guidelines - Chapter 3

Treepits – Case studies & examples
- Clearwater: Langtree Mall Tree Pits – Case Study
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Sediment ponds/basins – Overview of WSUD asset
- Melbourne Water: Sediment basins

Sediment ponds/basins – Planning & compliance
- Melbourne Water: WSUD life cycle costing

Sediment ponds/basins – Concept, functional & detailed design
- Melbourne Water: Sediment ponds – Design checklist
- Melbourne Water: WSUD Engineering procedures: stormwater

Sediment ponds/basins – Construction & handover
- Melbourne Water: Sediment ponds – Construction checklist
- Melbourne Water: Sediment ponds – Handover checklist
  https://www.melbournewater.com.au/media/674/download

Sediment ponds/basins – Operation & maintenance
- Melbourne Water: Sediment ponds – Maintenance checklist

Sediment ponds/basins – Case studies & examples
- Melbourne Water: Resetting sediment ponds – Best practice guide
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Wetlands – Overview of WSUD asset

- Melbourne Water: Constructed wetlands

Wetlands – Planning & compliance

- Melbourne Water: WSUD life cycle costing
  https://www.melbournewater.com.au/media/528/download
- Melbourne Water: Constructed wetland design manual – Part A2 – Deemed to comply criteria

Wetlands – Concept, functional & detailed design

- Melbourne Water: Constructed wetlands design manual – Part A1 Introduction
- Melbourne Water: Constructed wetland design manual – Part A3 – Design considerations for constructed wetlands
  https://www.melbournewater.com.au/media/530/download
- Melbourne Water: Constructed wetland design manual – Part B Design acceptance process
- Melbourne Water: Constructed wetland design manual – Part C – Technical design, construction, establishment approach
- Melbourne Water: Constructed wetland design manual – Part D – Design tools, resources and glossary
- Melbourne Water: WSUD Engineering procedures: stormwater

Wetlands – Construction & handover

- Melbourne Water: Constructed wetland design manual – Part C – Technical design, construction, establishment approach
- Melbourne Water: Constructed wetland design manual – Part D – Design tools, resources and glossary
- Melbourne Water: Constructed wetlands – Construction checklist
- Melbourne Water: Constructed wetlands – Handover checklist

Wetlands – Operation & maintenance

- Melbourne Water: Constructed wetlands – Maintenance checklist

Wetlands – Case studies & examples

- Melbourne Water: Constructed wetlands – Example detailed design report
Swales – Overview of WSUD asset
- New WAter Ways (Western Australia): WSUD Fact Sheets – Swales and buffer strips

Swales – Planning & compliance
- Melbourne Water: WSUD life cycle costing

Swales – Concept, functional & detailed design
- Melbourne Water: Swales – Design checklist
- Melbourne Water: Swale raingarden instruction sheet
- Melbourne Water: WSUD Engineering procedures: stormwater

Swales – Construction & handover
- Melbourne Water: Swale raingarden instruction sheet
- Melbourne Water: Swales – Construction checklist
- Melbourne Water: Swales – Handover checklist

Swales – Operation & maintenance
- Melbourne Water: Swale raingarden instruction sheet
- Melbourne Water: WSUD maintenance guidelines – Inspection and maintenance activities - page 8-9
- Melbourne Water: WSUD Maintenance – Asset manager guidelines – Chapter 4

Swales – Case studies & examples
N/A
4. Additional Resources

- **E2DesignLab: Prioritisation of WSUD opportunities study**
  

  

- **Melbourne Water and Stormwater Victoria: WSUD Asset Audit Guidelines**
  

- **WSUD asset technical training**: Clearwater’s [Maintenance training](https://www.clearwatervic.com.au/) and [Construction Hold Points training](https://www.clearwatervic.com.au/) delivered on-request, builds in-house knowledge, confidence and skill of staff and contractors through a tailored and interactive learning experience. Register your interest online. For more information visit the Clearwater website at [https://www.clearwatervic.com.au/](https://www.clearwatervic.com.au/)