



**Cyfoeth Naturiol Cymru**  
**Natural Resources Wales**

## **Water Resources LICENCE TO**

**ABSTRACT**

## **WATER**

Environment Act 1995  
Water Resources Act 1991 as amended  
by the Water Act 2003  
Water Resources (Abstraction and  
Impounding) Regulations 2006  
Natural Resources Body for Wales (Functions)  
Order 2012

# IMPORTANT NOTES

## Need for safekeeping

This licence is an important document. The permission or right to abstract water may be valuable to your landholding. So -

- **Keep the licence safe, preferably with your deeds etc.**
- **Take careful note of the comments below about "transfer and apportionment" and "death and bankruptcy".**

**This is to ensure that the permission and any rights granted by the licence continue if you need to pass it on to someone else.**

If you want to:

- **revoke (cancel) the licence;**
- **vary (change/amend) the licence in any way or**
- **change your contact address (but you continue to hold the licence).**

**Please write to us at your local Natural Resources Wales office.**

Details of this licence are placed on a register, kept by Natural Resources Wales and open for inspection by the public. The public may also obtain further details about it by virtue of the Environmental Information Regulations 2004 (see also Disclosure of Information) except in special cases (for advice please contact us at the address shown on the front page of the licence).

## Transfer and apportionment

If you need to pass this licence or any part of it to someone else, you must contact Natural Resources Wales and obtain the appropriate application forms. Temporary licences cannot be transferred or apportioned. The licence holder remains responsible for compliance with the terms of the licence and any charges payable until the licence has been transferred or apportioned.

## Death or bankruptcy of the licence holder

If a licence has been 'vested' in you, as a result of the death or bankruptcy of the licence holder, please contact Natural Resources Wales in writing, telling us the licence number(s) and the date that the licence vested in you as a personal representative or trustee of the licence holder. This is necessary in order to enable you to subsequently transfer the licence.

'Vesting' is the transfer of responsibility and ownership of a licence when an existing licence holder is no longer able to hold the licence either through death or bankruptcy.

You do not have to complete a form, but you must notify us in writing within 15 months of the date of vesting, giving the full names of all personal representatives or trustees and a contact address.

## Time limits

Your licence may be subject to a time limit (stated on the front of your licence). All new abstraction licences are legally required to include a time limit. For variations to licences, time limits are added in accordance with our policy.

The duration of a time limit is determined in accordance with our time limiting policy. The time limit is linked to the next or subsequent review of water resources within a Catchment Abstraction Management Strategy (CAMS).

There will be a presumption of renewal providing three tests are met: environmental sustainability is not in question; there is continued justification of need; and water is being used efficiently. Any application for renewal will still be subject to the normal statutory considerations.

If your licence is time limited and you wish to renew it when it expires, you will need to apply for a new licence to replace the existing one. You are advised to submit this application at least three months before it expires. To allow you to give early consideration to this, we will send you a reminder approximately 18 months before the expiry date.

If your licence cannot be renewed, we will endeavour to give at least six years notice. We will also endeavour to give at least six years notice where the licence is likely to be renewed on different terms and will significantly impact upon the use of the licence.

In exceptional circumstances, for example where there are other overriding statutory duties such as the Habitats Regulations, it may not be possible to provide six years notice.

## Charges

Unless specifically exempted, we may levy an annual CHARGE for water AUTHORISED to be abstracted by this licence, in accordance with our abstraction charges scheme in force at the time.

**The licence may be revoked if charges are not paid.**

## Quantity and quality of water

You must not abstract more than the quantity specified in the licence.

Natural Resources Wales does not, by issue of this licence or otherwise, in any way guarantee that the source of supply will produce the quantity of water authorised to be abstracted by this licence, nor that the water is fit for its intended use.

The quantity of water authorised for abstraction is given in cubic metres. One cubic metre is approximately 220 gallons.

(The precise conversion is 1 cubic metres = 219.969 gallons).

## Source of supply and authorised point of abstraction

You may abstract from the point(s) specified in the licence and from no other points. If you want to add or change the authorised point(s) of abstraction, you must apply to us to vary the licence.

## Land on which water is authorised to be used

Where this condition applies, you may only use the water you abstract on the area specified in the licence. You must apply to us to vary the licence if you wish to extend or alter this area or remove it.

## Purpose for which water is authorised to be used

You may only use the water for the purpose(s) specified in the licence. You must apply to us to vary the licence if you wish to add to or change the purpose(s).

## Offences

Under the Water Resources Act 1991 it is an offence:-

- to abstract water, or cause or permit any other person to abstract water, unless the abstraction is authorised by and in accordance with an abstraction licence, or is subject to an exemption;
- to do anything to enable abstraction, or to increase abstraction, except in accordance with an abstraction licence or exemption;
- to fail to comply with the conditions of an abstraction licence.  
**Note in particular that it may be a condition of the licence to maintain the meter or other measuring device etc. and failure to do so will be an offence;**
- to interfere with a meter or other device which measures quantities of water abstracted so as to prevent it from measuring correctly;
- to fail to provide information which we have reasonably required for the purpose of carrying out any of the Natural Resources Wales water resources functions;
- to knowingly make false statements for the purpose of obtaining a licence or consent or in giving required information.

The requirement for a licence is subject to some exemptions, set out in the Water Resources Act 1991 as amended. If in any doubt as to whether you need a licence, contact us at the address shown at the bottom of the front page of the licence.

## Right of appeal

If you are dissatisfied with our decision on your licence application, you may appeal.

If you are in England, you should write to the Secretary of State for the Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, care of The Planning Inspectorate at: Room 4/19 Eagle Wing, Temple Quay House, 2 The Square, Temple Quay, Bristol, BS1 6PN.

If you are in Wales, you should write to Welsh Government care of The Planning Inspectorate at: Crown Buildings, Cathays Park, Cardiff, CF10 3NQ.

You must serve notice of appeal within 28 days of the date of receipt of this licence (although the Secretary of State and The Welsh Government have power to allow a longer period for serving notice of appeal). See Water Resources Act 1991, section 43.

## Disclosure of information

Information about this licence is available in the public Register held by Natural Resources Wales. Members of the public are also entitled to ask us for other "environmental information" it holds, including any activities likely to affect "the state of any water" or any "activities or other measures designed to protect it". That would include the information additional to the licence document e.g. any related agreement or abstraction returns. In certain restricted circumstances it is possible to claim that information should be kept confidential. If you require more information about keeping this information off the public register because it is confidential, please contact us by writing to the address shown on the front page of the licence within 28 days of receiving this licence.

## FULL LICENCE TO ABSTRACT WATER

The Natural Resources Body for Wales (hereafter referred to as "NRW") grants this licence to:-

Breedon Trading Limited ("the Licence Holder")

Pinnacle House,  
Breedon Quarry,  
Breedon on the Hill,  
Derby,  
England,  
DE73 8AP

Company Registration Number: 00156531

This licence authorises the Licence Holder to abstract water from the source of supply described in the Schedule of Conditions to this licence and subject to the provisions of that Schedule. The licence commences from the effective date shown below and shall remain in force until revoked.

Signed:



Date of issue.....29 September 2021

Date effective.....29 September 2021

Date of original issue.....23 August 1993

Ashley Lansdown  
Permitting Team Leader  
Permitting Service  
Natural Resources Wales  
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The licence should be kept safe and its existence disclosed on any sale of the property to which it relates. Please read the 'important notes' on the cover to this licence.

Note: References to "the map" are to the map which forms part of this licence.  
References to "the Body" are to the Natural Resources Body for Wales or any successor body.

## SCHEDULE OF CONDITIONS

### 1. SOURCE OF SUPPLY

- 1.1 Llyn Ffrith y Bwlch (Point A)
- 1.2 Llyn Iwerddon (Point B)
- 1.3 Llyn Garreg Flaen Llym (Point C)

### 2. POINT OF ABSTRACTION

- 2.1 National Grid Reference SH 6950 4800 marked point 'A' on the map.
- 2.2 National Grid Reference SH 6850 4780 marked point 'B' on the map.
- 2.3 National Grid Reference SH 6890 4640 marked point 'C' on the map.

### 3. MEANS OF ABSTRACTION

- 3.1 Gravity fed pipelines

### 4. PURPOSE OF ABSTRACTION

- 4.1 Saw cooling and dust suppression in the sawing process.

### 5. PERIOD OF ABSTRACTION

- 5.1 All year.

### 6. MAXIMUM QUANTITIES OF WATER TO BE ABSTRACTED

- 6.1 **The total of all three sources not to exceed:**

54,552 cubic metres per year at a rate not exceeding  
218 cubic metres per day  
27.2 cubic metres per hour  
7.6 litres per second

Note: a day means a calendar day and a year means the 12 month period beginning on January 1 and ending on December 31.

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**7. MEANS OF MEASUREMENT OF WATER ABSTRACTED**

- 7.1 The Licence Holder shall use an approved integrating water meter to measure the quantities of water abstracted. The Licence Holder shall provide and install the meter in accordance with the provisions and recommendations contained in the Body's "Abstraction Metering Good Practice Manual" before any abstraction takes place.
- 7.2 The Licence Holder shall maintain the meter in a condition so as to measure the quantities of water abstracted accurately and efficiently, shall calibrate it regularly, in accordance with the recommendations of the manufacturer or at any time when required by the Body, and shall replace it as necessary.
- 7.3 The Licence Holder shall retain evidence of current certification of the meter for inspection by an officer authorised by the Body at any reasonable time.

**8. RECORDS**

- 8.1 The Licence Holder shall take and record readings of the meter specified in condition 7 above at the same time each week during the whole of the period during which abstraction is authorised or as otherwise approved in writing by the Body.
- 8.2 A copy of the record or summary data from it shall be sent to the Body at the end of each year.
- 8.3 Each record shall be kept and made available during all reasonable hours for inspection by the Body for a period of not less than 7 years.
- 8.4 The records shall, if so required by the Body, be made on forms provided by the Body for this purpose.

**9 FURTHER CONDITIONS**

- 9.1 The Licence Holder shall, before commencing abstraction, notify the Body of the make and serial number of his water meter(s) and thereafter notify the Body of any change of water meter he proposes to make.
- 9.2 The Licence Holder shall immediately inform the Body in the event of a breakdown or inaccurate operation of the meter(s) and shall take without delay such steps as the Body may require for the replacement, repair or testing of the meter and the assessment of the quantity of water abstracted in the period during which accurate metering is not being carried out.
- 9.3 The meter shall be maintained in good working order by the Licence Holder to the Body's satisfaction and shall be accurate within +/- 5% throughout its operational range. If so required by the Body, the Licence Holder shall cause the meter(s) to be tested by an establishment approved by the Body, and for certified results of the tests to be submitted to the Body. In the event of the tests showing the meter to be within 5% accurate over its whole operational range, the cost of removing, testing and replacing the meter shall be borne by the Body.

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Note: the following information is provided for information only. It does not form part of the licence.

### REASONS FOR CONDITIONS

The conditions are incorporated so as to ensure the necessary recording of the quantity of water abstracted.

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#### Licence History

Licence Number	Effective Date	Issue Date	Summary of Changes
<b>23/65/1/0029</b>	23 August 1993	23 August 1993	Original Licence issued to Alfred McAlpine Slate Ffestiniog.
<b>23/65/1/0029</b>	01 June 1998	-	Transfer of Licence Holder to Alfred McAlpine Slate Ltd
<b>23/65/1/0029</b>	01 April 2005	-	Change of Licence Holder Address
<b>23/65/1/0029</b>	14 August 2008	14 August 2008	Transfer of Licence Holder to Rigcycle Ltd T/A Welsh Slate
<b>23/65/1/0029</b>	07 January 2014	14 January 2014	Transfer of Licence Holder to Welsh Slate Limited.
<b>23/65/1/0029/V005</b>	29 September 2021	29 September 2021	Transfer of Licence Holder to Breedon Trading Limited. Typo in annual quantity corrected.







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