



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.



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Licence serial number	WA/067/0005/0029
Please quote the serial number in all correspondence about this licence	

TRANSFER LICENCE TO ABSTRACT WATER

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

Mr William Best ("the Licence Holder")

Vivod Estate
Plas yn Vivod
Llangollen
Denbighshire
LL20 7LS

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 the date of expiry shown below subject to Condition 6.8.

Signed:

Ashley Lansdown
Permitting Team Leader
Permitting Service
Natural Resources Wales
Cambria House
29 Newport Road
Cardiff
CF24 0TP

Date of issue.....16/07/2020

Date effective.....16/07/2020

Date of expiry.....31/03/2027

This 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 "NRW" are to the Natural Resources Body for Wales or any successor body.

SCHEDULE OF CONDITIONS

1. SOURCE OF SUPPLY

- 1.1 Inland water (stream) known as the Vivod Brook at Vivod Estate, Llangollen, Denbighshire.

2. POINT OF ABSTRACTION

- 2.1 At National Grid Reference SJ 18204 41637 marked 'Point A' on the map.

3. MEANS OF ABSTRACTION

- 3.1 Intake works consisting of wide and small impoundment weirs with two off-take sluices and drop boards and rocky pool.

4. PURPOSE OF ABSTRACTION

- 4.1 Transfer of water for the purpose of onward supply for power generation.
- 4.2 Transfer of water for the purpose of onward supply for domestic and agricultural abstraction.

5. PERIOD OF ABSTRACTION

- 5.1 All year.

6. FURTHER CONDITIONS

- 6.1 For the purpose of this licence, references to 'intake works' shall mean all works consisting of wide and small impoundment weirs with two off-take sluices and drop boards and rocky pool.

- 6.2 The Licence Holder shall construct, operate and maintain the intake works in accordance with the specifications and drawings:

'Cross Section of Proposed Alterations to the Existing Impoundment Structure', reference P19-144-Vivod licensing\Figure 4r3, and

'Cross Section of Impoundment Structure & HEP Off-take structure', reference P19-144-Vivod licensing\Figure 5r2

dated 30/06/2020, copies of which are appended to this licence, or such minor amendments to those documents that are accepted in writing by NRW prior to the date of commencement of construction.

- 6.3 Abstraction of water for the purpose of condition 4.1:

- (i) No abstraction of water shall take place unless the rate of flow in the Vivod Brook immediately downstream of the authorised point of abstraction, marked as 'Point A' as specified in Condition 2.1, is equal to or greater than 7 litres per second and the abstraction shall not cause the flow immediately downstream of said abstraction point to fall below that rate.

- (ii) The quantity of water abstracted shall not exceed 70 % of the available flow in the Vivod Brook in excess of 7 litres per second.
- 6.4
 - (i) No abstraction shall take place unless the Licence Holder has installed a screen with spacing no greater than 10 millimetres to prevent the entrapment, entrainment or impingement of fish at the point of abstraction.
 - (ii) The Licence Holder shall maintain the fish screen in accordance with the manufacturer's specifications and keep records of such maintenance available for inspection.
- 6.5 The Licence Holder shall return water abstracted in pursuance of this licence to the intake chamber at National Grid Reference SJ 18638 41851 marked 'Point Q' on the map.
- 6.6 The Licence Holder shall ensure that during construction works and any subsequent maintenance works to the intake works, the flow in the Vivod Brook is allowed to pass downstream unchanged in quantity and quality at all times.
- 6.7 The Licence Holder shall notify NRW in writing within 7 calendar days after the transfer of water first starts.
- 6.8 This licence shall cease to be of any effect if the abstraction it authorises has not commenced within 3 years of the licence issue date.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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

REASONS FOR CONDITIONS

The licence is time-limited to a date to reflect the timing of a future review of the catchment resources availability.

Conditions 6.1 and 6.2: to ensure the intake works are constructed, operated and maintained in accordance with the plans and specifications agreed by NRW during the determination of the licence.

Conditions 6.3 and 6.6: to ensure a flow is maintained in the watercourse in order to maintain the riverine habitat for the conservation of the flora and fauna and to ensure that the water environment is not impacted during construction and subsequent maintenance.

Condition 6.4: to prevent the entrapment, entrainment and impingement of fish at the point of abstraction.

Condition 6.5: to ensure that the abstraction can be classed as non-consumptive.

Condition 6.7: to start NRW's compliance process.

Condition 6.8: to secure the proper use of water resources and to avoid commitment of water resources to an abstraction right that cannot be exercised.

IMPORTANT NOTES

Impoundment licence number WA/067/0005/005/V001 exists to facilitate this transfer.

Water transferred under this licence is subsequently abstracted under licence numbers 24/67/5/0020/V001 and WA/067/0005/0002/V001

For the purpose of Condition 9.2 the Licence Holder shall contact:

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North West People and Places Team
Natural Resources Wales
Maes y Ffynnon
Penrhosgarnedd
Bangor
Gwynedd
LL57 2DW

Tel: 0300 065 3000

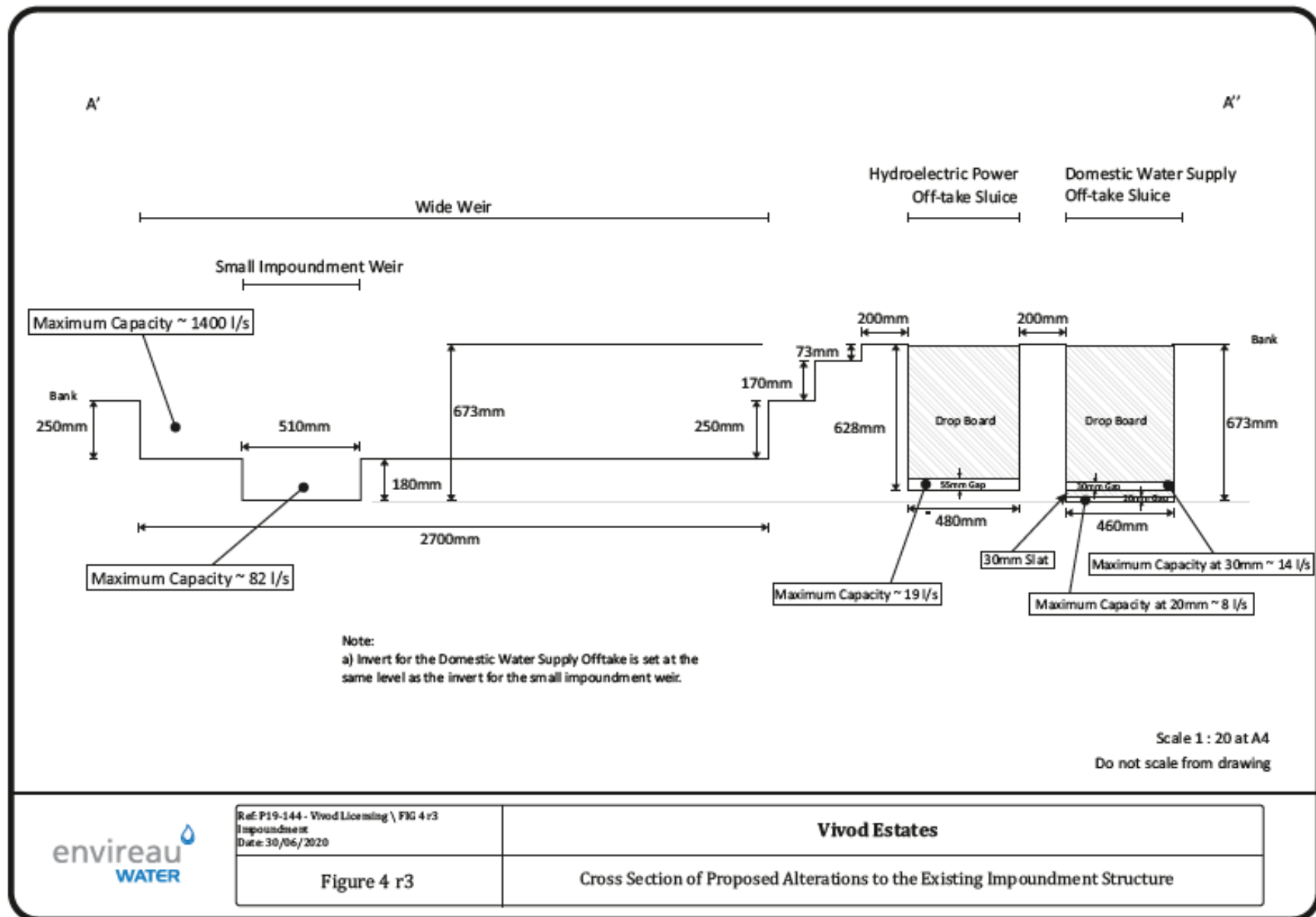
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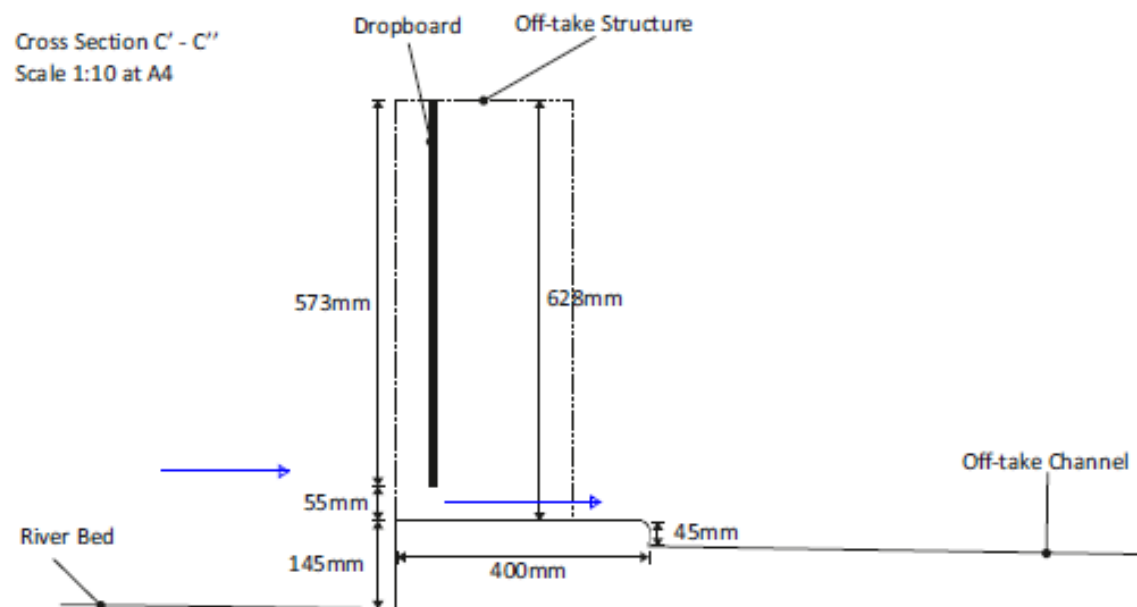
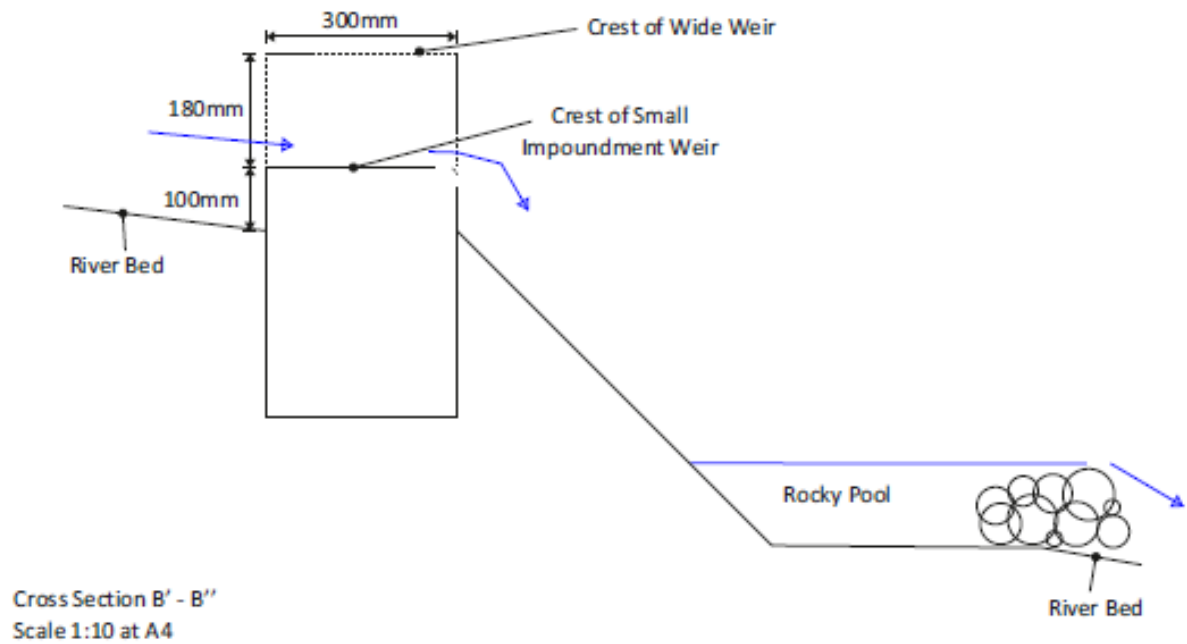
Water efficiency

The Licence Holder should use water abstracted under the terms of this licence in an efficient manner. NRW may refer to its guidance on water efficiency (or equivalent guidance) in determining whether water is being used efficiently and may offer advice on any measures considered necessary to meet particular recommendations.

Screening

NRW will have regard to its Screening for Intakes and Outfalls: a Best Practice Guide (or equivalent guidance) in agreeing where, how and what type of fish screens should be installed and together with the results of any monitoring in determining whether the fish screens are properly effective and maintained, and in judging whether it is necessary to require repair or replacement of the fish screens.





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