

# Amend an extraction component 71S

## Fact sheet

**Under the *Water Management Act 2000*, a water access licence holder may apply to change an extraction component of an existing water access licence.**

**Note:** WaterNSW can provide general advice on water access licence dealings. Please seek independent advice that considers your specific circumstances.

### When might this transaction be used?

This dealing is used to make changes to the extraction component of a water access licence including:

- The time, rate or circumstances specified in the licence for the taking of water.
- The areas or locations from which water may be taken under the licence.

### Limitations to keep in mind

There are some limitations that apply to changing an extraction component:

- The application must relate to the same water source as the original water access licence.
- The amended water access licence may be subject to different mandatory conditions to the original licence.
- Where a water sharing plan is sub-divided into water management zones, the extraction component will specify which zone the access licence is in. Typically, the licence holder can only nominate the extraction component within that zone.
- A section 71S dealing can be used to change the zone specified in the water access licence from which water can be taken, but only if the water sharing plan rules allow it. A change of zone would usually be accompanied with a change of nominated work – this can be achieved using the same application form.
- Amendment of the times, rates and circumstances part of the extraction component may only occur where the access licence dealing rules in a relevant water sharing plan allow it. The plan will specify the nature of the amendments that are allowed.

### When is this dealing type prohibited?

The *Access Licence Dealing Principles Order 2004* may prohibit dealings if:

- The water access licence is suspended or
- if the water access licence is a specific purpose access licence other than a local water utility access licence and licences with a sub-category town water supply.

As noted above, access licence dealings rules (in the applicable water sharing plan) may prohibit or regulate these dealings.

### How do I go about it?

Use the [Application to change a water access licence form](#) and download the [guide](#) to completing the form. This form is used to change the category, share component, extraction component (Section D) of a water access licence or to add or remove a nominated water supply work. The guide provides detail on how to complete each section.

You can submit this application through [Water Applications Online](#).

#### Need help?

[Schedule a meeting](#) with one of our Water Regulation Officers to discuss your dealing. If you need more information, please contact our Customer Service Centre on [1300 662 077](tel:1300662077), Monday to Friday between 8am-5pm or email [Customer.Helpdesk@waterNSW.com.au](mailto:Customer.Helpdesk@waterNSW.com.au)

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