



NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF DAIRY FARMERS

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Dear Member, Stakeholder and Supplier,

People telephoning the Union using 309800 have been experiencing problems getting through at the moment. We have found that it is far better for people to use 309811/20 and they should find they will get through much easier.

The last regional meeting held for the Mashonaland B Area on Wednesday 6th April 2011 at the Beatrice Club was a well supported and informative meeting where EMA representatives attended. They advised on current laws and legislation at this meeting and managed to deal with some of our member's issues and queries. Rob Van Vuuren, Ajs Kirk and Dr Rachel Stewart also attended this meeting and their presentations were well received.

The Regional Meetings in Mutare, Chipinge, Mashonaland A, Mashonaland B, Gweru and Bulawayo were attended by the National Chairman, Ajs Kirk and he will shortly let us have a more detailed report, but all meetings were well attended and informative.

The presentations done by Dr Stewart at the regional meetings on Tick Control in Zimbabwe and the Twelve Golden Rules of Milking are available to any NADF **Member** who is interested in receiving a copy. Should you wish to receive these please contact Debbie Mylroie on livestock@cfuzim.org

Dr Stewart is available for PDs, mastitis assistance and general herd health vet visits. Should you require her services, please contact her direct on **0772 315 124** or rjstewart@yahoo.com to arrange appointments. She will advise you on prices when you contact her.

Zimbabwe National Water Authority (ZINWA) – Justified charges of just another Piece of the Farmer? **(From the desk of Marc Carrie-Wilson)**

I resume the series of Articles on viability challenges faced by farmers with regard to levies by State Authorities and Parastatals. So far we have covered some aspects regarding the Environmental Management Agency (EMA).

To recap we have noted that in Zimbabwe today farmers have to cover many overheads and pay many charges in order to keep producing. Many of these fees and charges are to state run agencies for services and taxes. They include Rural District Council fees and rates, Environmental Management Agency fees, Zimbabwe Electricity Distribution and Transmission Company (ZEDTC) charges and not least of all the Zimbabwe National Water Authority (ZINWA) charges. This article covers some information about the last mentioned Authority ZINWA.

In the words of Leonardo Da Vinci "Water is the Driving Force of all nature" and of all people farmers understand this best. Water is more vital than oil to rural economies. Without out it a successful agricultural enterprise is impossible. However if water is too expensive this can mean that the cost of production exceeds the market price of the produced commodity. Recently many farmers have complained about high water charges.

So what are the facts? How much does ZINWA charge and for what? This is the first in a short series of articles about ZINWA and is intended to give you general information and ZINWA contact information:

THE PERMIT SYSTEM

Commercial use of water requires a permit

The following categories of water use require a permit

- a.) Abstraction of surface water for any purpose other than primary purpose; or
- b.) Storage of surface water in storage works in a public stream for
 - i. Any purpose other than primary use; or

- ii. A primary purpose in excess of 5000m³
- c.) Construction of ground water storage works in a public stream for:
 - i. Any purpose other than primary use
 - ii. A primary purpose in excess of 5000m³
- d.) Abstraction of ground water for any purpose other than primary use
- e.) Interfering with a riverbed for any purpose.

A permit is issued by a catchment council. Sub-catchment councils monitor and supervise the exercise of permits on a day-to-day basis. The permit is valid for a given period and is subject to conditions set by the catchment council. A permit can be renewed or revised.

A permit is not required for a person who is abstracting water from ZINWA storage works. In this case ZINWA is the permit holder and the person enters into an agreement with ZINWA to access the water.

At the moment commercial users of water can be classified as (1) those that held water rights before the new Act became effective, (2) users who used water without water rights, (3) newcomers who want to access for commercial use.

Conversion of water permit

All water rights have been automatically converted to temporary permits. The temporary permits will allow the user to use the same quality of water as allowed in the old water right until such time that the catchment council revises the permit or when the user applies to the catchment council for a revision of the permit.

Application for a new permit

New users are required to apply for a permit for commercial use of water. Application forms are obtainable from catchment council, sub-catchment council and ZINWA office.

Application procedure

- An application is submitted to the relevant sub-catchment council (together with relevant reports and application fees).
- The sub-catchment council assesses the application and makes recommendations for consideration by the catchment council.
- Sub-catchment council submits one copy to the catchment manager together with the processing fee and another copy to the catchment council.
- The council notifies affected parties and invites objections.
- The catchment council, after assessing objections, analysing relevant reports and after consultation with the catchment manager, shall refuse the application or grant a permit provisional permit/temporary permit with conditions as they see fit.

Accompanying reports

Examples of reports which may be required to be submitted together with the application forms are:

- Hydrological report.
- Water engineer's report.
- Agricultural report.
- Prospectus approved by DNR (to clarify environmental effects of proposed project)
- RDC support letter (in case of applications within communal and resettlement areas)
- Government mining engineer's report
- Hydro geological report
- Any other report as required by the appropriate catchment council.

Please note that the applicant will only be required to submit reports that are relevant to his application.

Example of types of applications

Form No.	Description	Current application fee (US\$) (SI 21 of 2011)
W1	Surface water permit	20
W2	Right to interfere with river bed	TBA
W3	Amendment of permit	15
	Renewal of permit	15

	Extension of temporary/provisional permit	15
	Cancellation permit	5
W4	Appointment or allocation of permit on sub-division/consolidation of land	15
W5	Petition for combined water scheme	TBA
W6	Apportionment or allocation of scheduled irrigable area on subdivision/consolidation of land	TBA
GW1	Authority to sink a well for commercial use or drill a borehole	60 (Commercial) 30 (Urban)
GW4	Ground water Permit Urban	60
	Ground Water Permit Commercial	60

For Water abstraction the cost is quarterly using the following formula:
Total mega litres permitted multiplied by rate in schedule divided by 4

Ground Water Use (Household)	10 (quarterly)
Ground Water Use (Institutional)	15 (quarterly)

Raw Use of Water

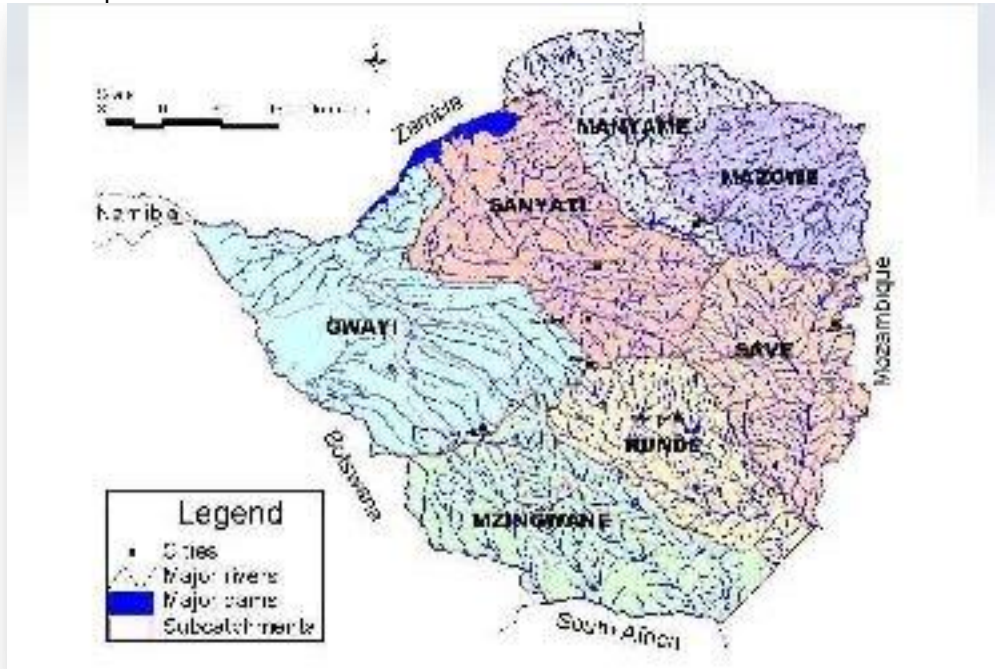
Commercial farming-cattle watering	US \$1 per m/l
Water bottling	US \$5 per m/l
Beverage purposes	US \$5 per m/l

Penalties

Late Registration penalty – Urban household	5
Late Registration penalty - commercial	25
Late Registration penalty - institutional	25
Tampering with dam basin and river beds (per offence)	100

Catchment Councils

The Map below shows the Jurisdictions of the various catchment councils



You can contact your Catchment Council using the following information. We encourage farmers to participate so engage your council over tariffs and explain the viability issues you are facing.

CONTACT OFFICES

ZINWA Head Office

8th Floor Old Mutual Centre, Cnr Third Street/Jason Moyo Avenue, P. O Box CY 617 Causeway, Harare, Zimbabwe
Tel : 700953 761260
Fax : 761465-6
E-mail: pr@zinwa.co.zw

Mazowe Catchment

3rd Floor, Old Mutual House Cnr Sam Nujoma/Speke Ave P.O Box CY 715, Causeway Harare
Tel : 700953 761260
Fax : 761465-6

Manyame Catchment

3rd Floor, Old Mutual House Cnr Sam Nujoma/Speke Ave P.O Box CY 715, Causeway Harare
Tel : 702124,793732,793738

Runde Catchment

Mineral Road
P.O Box 250 Masvingo
Tel : 039 63690 / 63427
Fax :039 63972

Gwayi Catchment

New Government Complex Basch Street / 10th Avenue P.O Box 566, Bulawayo
Tel : 09 69361-3 / 62832 / 68070

Mzingwane Catchment

New Government Complex Basch Street / 10th Avenue P.O Box 566, Bulawayo
Tel : 09 69361-3 / 62832 / 68070

Save Catchment

7 Park Road P.O Box 210 Mutare
Tel : 020 60926
Fax : 020 62848

Sanyati Catchment

2nd Street P.O Box 554, Gweru
Tel : 054 22511
Fax : 054 20168

Next week we intend to cover Ministerial Water.

FEED PRICES

PRICES ARE IN US\$	Agrifoods procurement@agrifoods.co.zw 756101-5 0772 726 902	Croplink bridgetm@croplink.co.zw 443258 490818/9/0	Ice Feeds icefeed@zol.co.zw W 2921137 0773 273 399	Surface Investments mauricechinyani@gmail.com 0712 875 800 0774 640 794	Olivine Harare jmushangari@olivine.co.zw 369390/1/2/4	United Refineries Bulawayo hcharumbira@url.co.zw
Cotton Cake			\$220 p/t			
Cotton Seed Meal			\$390 p/t	38% minimum CP \$390/t	\$410 p/t when available	
Whole Cotton						
Cotton Hulls			\$30 p/t	\$30/t	\$30 p/	
Soya Bean Meal			\$950 p/t	\$750/t	\$680 p/t when they last had product	
Wheat Bran			\$160 p/t			
Maize Bran			\$160 p/t			
Coarse Salt			\$170			
Sunflower Meal			\$180 p/t			
Molasses			\$130			

LIVESTOCK INFORMATION

We have in stock and available at our offices at present :

Animal Foods of Central Africa Technical Handbook @ US\$10,00 each

Stock Registers @ US\$5,00 each

Dairy Milk Records of Individual Cows for One Month Register @ US\$5,00 each

Recommended Guide to Good Dairy Farming Practices @ \$2.00 each

Dairy Handbooks @ US\$40,00 each

Cattle Producers' Association Beef Production Manual @ US\$40,00 each

Go Green Mastitis Mint @ \$10.00 per bottle

Should you be interested in purchasing any of the above items, please call at Commercial Farmers Union, Agriculture House and see Debbie Mylroie.



ARE YOU GOING FISHING AT EASTER?

Yours faithfully

**A KIRK
CHAIRMAN
NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF DAIRY FARMERS**