Safe Drinking Water Act, 2011 - Fact Sheet

# Application of the Safe Drinking Water Act to Wineries

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The Safe Drinking Water Act, 2011 (the Act) applies to wineries that use private rainwater or bore water supplies for the preparation of food and beverages. This includes wineries serving food at a restaurant or café. This maintains consistency with the Food Act, 2001 which requires that water used in food premises is of potable (drinking) water quality.

The Act also applies to wineries that use bore water for drinking.

The Act does not apply to wineries that use mains water supplies, the mains water has already been subject to the full requirements of the Act.

### **Exemptions**

Wineries offering rainwater at the cellar door (without food preparation) are exempt from the Act.

Supplying rainwater as an optional alternative on tables at a restaurant or café is also exempt from the Act.

## **Exemption requirements**

Where exemptions apply to the use of rainwater, signage is to be displayed on site and notice is to be provided in any promotional material advising of the nature of the drinking water. A recommended sign (from Australian Standard AS/NZS 3500 Plumbing and Drainage) is shown below. Copies of this sign can be accessed from www.sahealth.sa.gov.au/safedrinkingwateract.



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