



Private Water Supply Grants

The Private Water Supplies (Grants)(Scotland) Regulations 2006 allow grants to be made to improve private water supplies.

The basic grant scheme is non-means tested and provides financial assistance of up to £800.

The scheme is available to domestic, commercial and public premises, but is not available in the following circumstances:

1. Any public body or office-holder, e.g. Council (excluding a person who, or body which, only from time to time exercises functions of a public character).
2. Any person erecting or causing to be erected a building which the provisions of Section 63 of the Water (Scotland) Act 1980 apply.
3. Premises which are the subject of:
 - A Closing Order under Section 114 of the Housing (Scotland) Act 1987.
 - A Demolition Order under Section 115 of the Housing (Scotland) Act 1987.
 - A Dangerous Building Notice in terms of Section 30 of the Building (Scotland) Act 2003.
4. Premises which comprise a dangerous building within the meaning of Section 29 of the Building (Scotland) Act 2003.
5. Empty or unoccupied premises.
6. Premises which do not meet the tolerable standard provided for in Section 80 of the Housing (Scotland) Act 1987, as amended except in so far as that tolerable standard is not met in relation to an adequate piped supply of wholesome water.

To be considered for a grant you must meet one of the following criteria:

1. You are in receipt of a temporary departure issued by Orkney Islands Council under the Private Water Supplies (Scotland) Regulations 2006.
2. You have a risk assessment completed by Orkney Islands Council under the Regulations.

3. Orkney Islands Council has served you with an Improvement Notice under the Water (Scotland) Act 1980.

For further information and/or to express an interest in a grant, complete the form below, or contact Environmental Health on 01856873535.

The Private Water Supply improvement grant application form can be found on the Private Water Supplies page on the Council's website. www.orkney.gov.uk

Connecting to the Mains

If you no longer want to use your private supply contact [Scottish Water](http://www.scottishwater.co.uk) on 08003890379 or 08000778778, about the possibility of connecting to the public supply, also called "mains".