

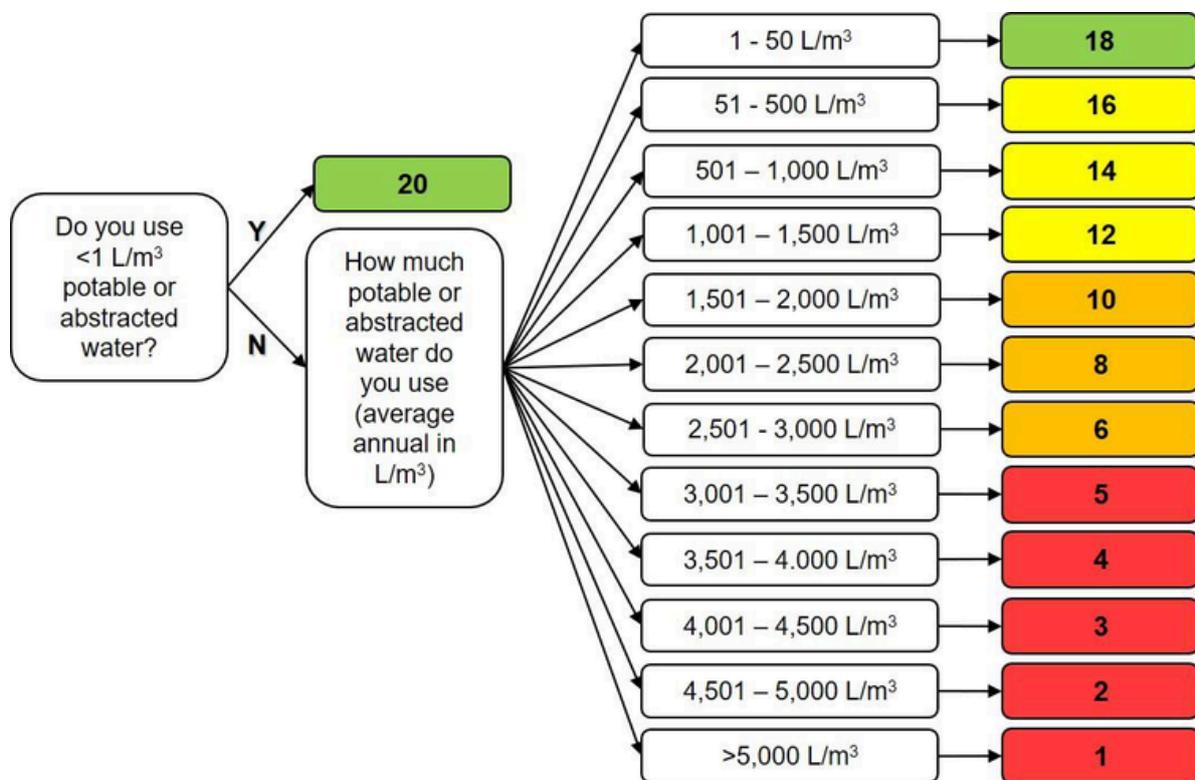


WATER USE

(Extraction and Production)

WHAT'S COVERED

- All freshwater consumption (mains, well, surface water) used during extraction/growing and production.
- Excludes direct rainfall, harvested rainwater, or recycled water (which don't count against usage).
- Focuses on irrigation, washing, and industrial processes (not transport or consumer use).



EVIDENCE NEEDED

- Supply chain map indicating where water-intensive stages occur (e.g., farms, processing plants).
- Records (meter readings, bills) of how much water is abstracted or purchased.
- Documentation of any water recycling/reuse systems (e.g., capturing rainwater, reusing process water).

WAYS TO IMPROVE

- Adopt water-efficient methods (drip irrigation, closed-loop washing).
- Increase use of non-potable sources (rainwater harvesting, greywater recycling).
- Regularly monitor usage, set reduction targets, and fix leaks promptly.