

## Garden Hose Guidelines for Use.

Hozelocks range of garden hoses are primarily designed to enable garden watering tasks to be carried out in "typical" general and domestic gardening situation such as

- Watering flowers and plants, cultivating garden lawns
- Car cleaning, hosing down caravans
- Outdoor cleaning tasks e.g. washing down drives and paths

The pvc materials that the hose are made from are not water drinking quality (potable) or food grade and so using the hose to transport water that will come into contact with humans or animals in such a manner that the water may be absorbed (imbibed) should be avoided.

Therefore we do not specify or endorse using our range of garden hoses for the following -

- The filling of aquatic ponds containing fish
- The filling of water troughs for horses, cattle, sheep or any other kind of livestock
- The filling of drinking bowls for dogs, cats or any other domestic pet.

We also do not endorse our garden hoses for use in, with or attached to industrial or farm machinery or any other equipment in a non domestic environment.

It has been reported on a small number of occasions that the water from the hose is a milky colour and foamy in appearance. There is no cause for concern in the event of this happening and as long as consumers take the above into consideration there is no risk to plants, flowers, lawns or the environment. However, realising this may still provide concern to some consumers the following advice below is offered in order to minimise the possibility of this occurring.

- 1. Only use fresh tap water in the hose whenever possible as using stored water can allow bacteria to develop in the hose. If the hose is to be used with stored water keep this hose for this purpose and use another hose purely for fresh tap water
- 2. After use empty as much water from the hose a possible by laying the hose in a straight line along the ground with the end open and rolling the hose up to allow water to drain out.
- 3. Do not leave the hose exposed to the sun and heat for long periods of time.
- **4.** When using the hose let water run through the hose for 30-40 seconds so that any contaminates can be flushed away before the water is used.