

Generic Terms of Use of the City Blueprint Software

1. General

The European Commission is acknowledged for funding BlueSCities in H2020-Water under Grant Agreement No. 642354. The software developed in the BlueSCities project is a full update and revision of City Blueprint software as originally developed as part of Watershare (Expert Tools for the Water Sector; <https://www.watershare.eu/>).

2. Data Protection

The user's acceptance of these conditions begins with the usage of this Website based software for all areas that do not require a separate registration or login. For all areas of the application that require the user to create a profile, the acceptance of these conditions in the currently valid version begins with the registration, especially by checking the box connected to the approval of conditions and the thereafter retention of the entry. A complete registration for the City Blueprint Software is only possible if the user is willing to accept the conditions by checking the corresponding box.

3. Privacy

With the registration the user accepts the applicable privacy laws of the Netherlands.

4. Definitions

- a) **User:** Any individual person or entity who wishes to apply the City Blueprint Methodology. Said individual or entity can only access their own data. Once the data has been validated, the user permits the inclusion of said data in a Database incorporated in the software. The final report of the tool, will show data based on the average of this database and not specific individual results.
- b) **Validator:** That entity which is authorized by KWR and is deemed capable of validating the results of the third party. Said validator will have access to all data stored in the software. Said Validator is not permitted to employ User data for any other purpose than validation without the written permission of the User in question. A Validator can also be designated as a User but cannot validate their own data.
- c) **Administrator:** KWR will act in a supervisory capacity regarding said software.
- d) **BlueSCities:** an EU funded H2020 project under Grant Agreement No. 642354.
- e) **Watershare:** a global platform of some of the most reputable water research organisations that share their research outcomes for competence building and implementation in practice (www.watershare.eu).
- f) **City Blueprint:** a standardized and validated software tool in the Watershare platform to assess the baseline status of an urban water system.
- g) **City Blueprint Community:** group of experts and users to advance and apply the City Blueprint

methodology.

5. Permitted uses of the City Blueprint Software

- a) The Preliminary City Blueprint Software can be used freely for internal reasons only. The results obtained are **Preliminary** City Blueprint results.
- b) The validation of the City Blueprint as improved in BlueSCities project, is facilitated by (a) the BlueSCities partners and the Watershare platform members during the execution of the BlueSCities project, and by (b) the Watershare platform members after the completion of the BlueSCities project. All users have free access to the Preliminary City Blueprint Software that has been developed during the BlueSCities project.
- c) Municipalities may only use the information provided by the Preliminary City Blueprint for their own purposes.
- d) Publication of the preliminary results in external reports, publications or websites is forbidden without prior validation of the results.
- e) The Watershare Platform accepts no responsibility for the results or damage arising from the use of the **Preliminary** City Blueprint results.
- f) Validation of City Blueprint Software results is necessary before said results may be may public.
- g) Municipalities interested in peer-reviewed City Blueprints validation process are requested to contact their national Watershare partners or KWR for further information.
- h) Publication and external use of the City Blueprint results is only possible after peer-review of the data by KWR Watercycle Research Institute (KWR) or other Watershare partners. The peer-review process constitutes the authorisation process.
- i) Partners of the BluesCities project can use the software for the duration of the project provided that the resulting data will be shared with the Watershare tool owner.
- j) The City Blueprint software including updates resulting from the project remain the ownership of the developers (KWR, CTM...) as stated in the Grant Agreement.
- k) KWR and CTM have the right to include the improved City Blueprint software in the Watershare toolsuite for further improvement and application.

6. Deletion of the account by the user

The services provided free of charge by the BlueSCities Project may be terminated at any time. The deletion of the account by the user takes place by requesting deletion from the City Blueprint in written form or via email to KWR as indicated in chapter 8 of this document. Termination is to be enacted without notice and without stating any reasons. The termination of services is completed with the deletion of the user account.

For the data integrated in the Database, deletion will take place on the 1st of January of each calendar year according to the planned schedule for the update of indicators.

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7. Alterations of conditions of use

Both the BlueSCities Project and Watershare reserves the right to modify the conditions of use for the software. This applies in particular if an alteration is deemed necessary due to the currently applicable legal situation. Through the use of the website the user expresses his or her consent with the currently applicable conditions of use.

8. Final provisions

The conditions of use and the entire legal relationship between the user and the BlueSCities Project are exclusively subject to Netherlands law. If single regulations of this arrangement should be or become ineffective, the validity of the remaining regulations is not touched through this.

9. Contact Us

The City Blueprint Software is located within the Watershare platform, which can be reached at www.watershare.eu.