

The Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan

Legal Framework .

Jordan's water policy is committed to an integrated approach to water resource management. Jordan has ratified the 1997 UN Convention on the Law of the Non-navigational Uses of International Watercourses on 2 22 June 1999. Currently the water legislation of Jordan is in process of revision.

The right to water is included in legislation.

→ Main institution _

	Water Resource Management	Drinking water supply	Sanitation	Irrigation
Ministry of Water and Irrigation (MWI) (Sets national policies and strategies)				
Water Authority of Jordan (WAJ)				
Jordan Valley Authority (JVA) Ministry of Agriculture				

The territorial water management :

• Aqaba Water Company in Aqaba Governorate

- Miyahona- Management Contract Amman Governorate
- Northern Governorate Water Administration (NGWA)- North Jordan

Inter-ministerial coordination is assured by the Ministry of Water and Irrigation (MWI).

Main issues of Water Resource Management

With Jordan being considered to be one of the 10 poorest countries worldwide in water resources, water scarcity is the main challenge in WRM. These scarce water resources are confronted with high population growth. As a result strategies aim at a reduction of water consumption, increase efficiency in water use as well as the development of options for the use of non conventional resources such as wastewater reuse, water desalination, importation of water, and weather modification (cloud seeding).

⇒ Water pricing and cost recovery .

	Institutions responsible for water pricing	Level of cost recovery (%)	
Households	Ministry of Water and Irrigation	> 80%	
Industry	Ministry of Water and Irrigation	100%	
Agriculture : Irrigation	Ministry of Water and Irrigation	< 50%	

National Water Master Plan 2004 (http://www.mwi.gov.jo/NWMP/INDEX.HTM)

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