

Using rain barrels a violation of Nev. water rights

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Can you use a rain barrel to collect water in Nevada?

Short answer:

No.

Full answer:

During spates of rain as we've had recently, the topic of rain barrels comes up.

These are what they sound like: a barrel that you collect rain or other precipitation so that you can use or redirect the water later.

How they work generally is that the downspout coming from the roof gutter is cut or has a diversion spout so rain empties into a barrel. Barrels then have a faucet inserted into the base. A hose can be attached to redirect the water when and where needed.

This is not legal in Nevada.

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