

1 Policy History

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2 Policy Objective

To promote the efficient operation of Council’s sewerage infrastructure by allowing controlled use of Council facilities for the disposal of septic tank waste.

3 Policy Statement

1. Council will not accept the disposal of septic tank waste to its infrastructure without written approval or Council can give verbal approval in exceptional circumstances.
2. Council, with concurrence from the NSW Office of Water, will accept septic tank waste at approved receival points and in accordance with the following conditions:
 - (a) No keys to Council facilities will be issued to contractors under any circumstances.
 - (b) Discharge of septic tank waste shall only be made in the presence of a Council employee. Additional charges shall be paid if a discharge is required to be made outside normal Council working hours.
 - (c) Council may impose a maximum total daily discharge of septic waste.
 - (d) Odour problems shall be controlled at the point of discharge. Council may suspend discharges if odours lead to complaints or cause a nuisance.
 - (e) The composition of the waste shall comply with that approved. A new application shall be made if the quantity and/or quality of the waste is/are to be varied.
 - (f) If, in the opinion of Council, the waste being discharged does not comply with that approved or is adversely affecting the performance of the Sewage Treatment Works, the sewerage system, or the ecological system in the waters, land or area receiving sewage treatment plant effluent, the contractor shall take remedial action

by modifying the characteristics of the waste, reducing the amount or ceasing to discharge the waste.

- (g) A representative sample of the tankered liquid waste may be taken at least once a year for the testing of different parameters as required, at the expense of the Contractor.

Testing shall be carried out by laboratories that hold National Association Testing Authorities (NATA) registration for the specific test(s) specified in the trade waste approval.

- (h) Discharges shall be in accordance with the policy Discharge of Liquid Trade Waste into Griffith City Council's Sewerage System (WS-CP-302).
- (i) No substance prohibited by the Local Government Act, 1993, Water, Sewerage and Drainage Regulation shall be discharged.
- (j) Council will not accept waste from the clean out of liquid trade waste pre-treatment systems, ie grease traps.
- (k) No disposal of waste will be accepted from facilities outside of the Griffith Local Government Area.

3. Relevant fees shall be charged in accordance with the revenue policy.

4 Definitions

None

5 Exceptions

None

6 Legislation

Local Government Act 1993
Local Government (General) Regulations 2005 (CI 25, 28, 32,159)
POEA Act 1997 (Sect 120)
POEO (General) Regulations (CI 55)



7 Related Documents

Discharge of Liquid Trade Waste into Griffith City Council's Sewerage System Policy (WS-CP-302).

8 Directorate

Utilities