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## TRADE WASTE MANAGEMENT POLICY

### ***INTENT***

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The purpose of this Trade Waste Policy is to outline Cook Shire Councils principles for trade waste management and provide stakeholders with information on Cook Shire Councils liquid waste disposal service for non-domestic, commercial and industrial waste.

The key features of Cook Shire Councils trade waste management approach are:

- A two staged risk-based assessment system
  - Permit application and approval
  - Annual inspection; If service reports can be provided that are consistent with the relevant Trade Waste Permit, an Annual inspection will not be required
- Mandatory and target sewer admissions limits; and
- Two trade waste category systems for regulatory obligations
  - Category 1 – Commercial
  - Category 2 – Industrial.

This policy is intended to be read in conjunction with Councils Trade Waste Plan (the plan). The purpose of the plan is to outline how Council will manage and assess trade waste discharges and meet its obligations under relevant legislation.

### ***SCOPE***

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This Trade Waste Policy is intended to provide information about Cook Shire Councils' trade waste management approach to:

- Any person (trade waste generator) intending to discharge a trade waste into Cook Shire Councils sewerage network;
- An owner of a premises where trade waste is being discharged into Cook Shire Councils sewerage network;
- Environmental regulators of Cook Shire Councils systems;
- Cook Shire Council staff; and
- Liquid waste carriers who discharge waste to Cook Shire Councils sewerage system.

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## DEFINITIONS

TERM	DEFINITION
Council	Council means the Cook Shire Council or any person appointed or authorised by the Cook Shire Councils to act on behalf of Cook Shire Council as the case may require.
Sewage	Means household and commercial waste that contains, or may contain, faecal, urinary or other human waste.
Sewerage	Means a sewer, access chamber, vent, engine, pump, structure, machinery, outfall or other work used to receive, store, transport or treat sewage.
Trade Waste Permit	Means a written conditional approval by Council pursuant to the Water Supply (Safety and Reliability) Act 2008k, permitting a generator to discharge trade waste into Councils sewerage system in accordance with conditions specified in Councils Trade Waste Environmental Management Plan.
Trade Waste Plan	Means a written plan prepared by Council about how sewerable trade waste will be managed. The plan includes provisions about how Council will classify, manage and approve the discharge of sewerable liquid waste to sewerage systems, and included pre-treatment requirements, sewer admissions limits.

## POLICY STATEMENT

Cook Shire Council will provide a liquid waste disposal service for non-domestic, commercial and industrial waste in accordance with the principles of ecological sustainability and in a manner which safeguards public health, is consistent with Councils legislative obligations and supports Councils asset management objectives.

Council will accept, subject to conditions, biodegradable waste into the sewerage system provide that:

- The system has adequate capacity to effectively collect, transport and treat the waste;
- The waste does not hinder the recycling of by-products; and
- In accordance with the principles of ecological sustainability and eco-efficiency, all practicable waste minimisation, recycling and reuse options have been applied by the customer.

Discharge of waste containing substances in amounts liable to be toxic or hazardous to sewerage infrastructure, personnel or the environment is prohibited.

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## KEY RESPONSIBILITIES

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RESPONSIBLE OFFICER	RESPONSIBILITY
Plumbing Inspector/Trade Waste Officer Planning and Environment	Is responsible for the review, implementation and ongoing administration of this Policy.

## REFERENCES, LEGISLATION AND GUIDELINES

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*Water Supply (Safety and Reliability Act) 2008*

*Plumbing and Drainage Act 2098*

*Plumbing and Drainage Regulation 2019*

*Environmental Protection Act 1994*

*Environmental Protection Regulation 2008*

*Planning Act 2016*

*Local Government Act 2009*

## RELATED DOCUMENTS

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Cook Shire Councils Trade Waste Plan

## REVIEW

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<b>SPONSOR:</b>	Director Organisational Business Services
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<b>OFFICER RESPONSIBLE FOR REVIEW:</b>	Plumbing Inspector, Planning and Environment
<b>ADOPTION DATE:</b>	October 2022
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