

TRADE WASTEWATER

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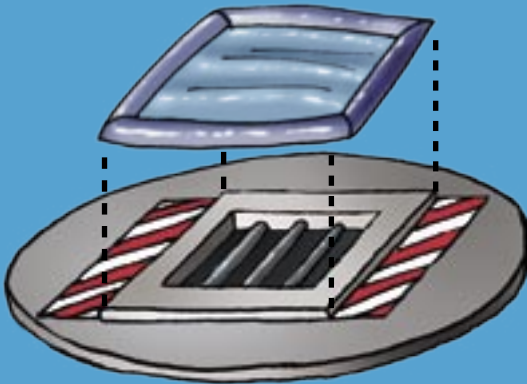


Wastewater keypoints



You must have a permit to discharge trade wastewater to the sewer.


Drums or tanks must be stored in a roofed and bunded area.



Trade wastewater must not enter the stormwater drainage system. In the event of a spill, cover all drains.

Trade wastewater has the potential to harm our wetlands and marine environments.





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What is trade wastewater?

- Any water used or contaminated in conducting your business processes and activities (e.g. hosing down, washing vehicles, etc).
- It does not include sewage that goes into the sewer or septic tank from toilets, sinks and laundries.
- Wastewater from businesses that contains pollutants.

Industrial Waste Permit

- An Industrial Waste Permit must be obtained to discharge trade wastewater to sewer.
- Permits are issued by the Water Corporation.
- It is an offence to discharge trade wastewater to sewer without a permit.
- Under no circumstances must trade wastewater be discharged into a septic system.
- If trade wastewater is not permitted to be directed to the sewer, even after pre-treatment, it must be collected in drums or tanks and stored in a roofed and bunded area.
- Trade wastewater removed from your site must be collected by a licensed contractor and transported to a licensed waste facility.

Trade wastewater must not enter the stormwater drainage system.

Further information

If you require assistance for what is best for your business contact the following:

- Water Corporation, phone 13 13 95
- Department of Environment, phone (08) 6364 6500
- Your Local Council

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