

TRADE WASTE IMPROVEMENT PLAN

Trade Waste Management Plan 2019

Townsville City Council may require any future, or current, customer to prepare a trade waste improvement plan (TWIP).

WHAT IS A TRADE WASTE IMPROVEMENT PLAN?

A TWIP is a program that details the activities to be undertaken by the approval holder, which will:

- » reduce the load of contaminants to the sewer
- » allow the discharge to sewer to meet the council sewer admission limits
- » reduce the risk to council from trade waste generating activities
- » otherwise meet conditions of the trade waste approval, council's *Trade Waste Management Plan 2019*, or any relevant legislation.

TRADE WASTE IMPROVEMENT PLAN CONTENT

A TWIP should:

- » include a description of the trade waste quantity and quality
- » state the objectives to be achieved
- » include an investigation of the options for improving discharge quality to meet the trade waste sewer admission limits (or reach a level that is as low as practicably possible), including investigation of waste reduction, recycling and water conservation options
- » detail the particular actions to achieve the objectives, taking into account best practice environmental management
- » nominate the day by which each action will be completed
- » include a monitoring and reporting program to assess compliance
- » preferably be completed or endorsed by a suitably qualified person (e.g. consultant/ environmental engineer).

ADDITIONAL DETAILS FOR PLAN IF REQUIRED

Council may also require the TWIP to detail:

- » how trade waste will be stored pending approval to discharge
- » description of trade waste generating activities, discharge practices and chemical storage procedures
- » on-site procedures and work instructions relating to the management of trade waste and the trade waste pre-treatment system
- » notification procedures for spills, pre-treatment system failure or accidental or slug discharges to council's sewerage infrastructure
- » employee training plans related to trade waste activities or incidents.

ASSESSMENT OF THE PLAN

Council will assess the TWIP, and, at its sole discretion, may:

- » accept
- » accept on condition
- » not accept the TWIP.

Where the TWIP is accepted, a trade waste approval will include a requirement to meet the commitments of the TWIP.

Where the TWIP is not accepted, council will advise the approval holder of the reasons and may seek further information or representations from the generator. If a TWIP is not accepted by council, suspension or cancellation of the trade waste approval may occur.

MORE INFORMATION

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