

## LIQUID TRADE WASTE APPLICATION FACT SHEET

Liquid trade waste is any discharge to a sewerage system other than domestic waste. Sewerage systems are designed to safely collect, transfer and treat wastewater that is mostly of domestic origin. However, sewerage systems may also accept liquid trade waste discharges provided they are planned and controlled within acceptable limits.

### Approval to discharge

Section 68 of the *Local Government Act 1993* requires that all trade waste dischargers to a Council sewerage system must have an approval from Council.

### Application requirements

To obtain approval to discharge liquid trade waste to Council's sewerage system, you will need to complete Council's Trade Waste Application Form and the following information is required to accompany the application:

- Site Plan, including:
  - liquid trade waste pre-treatment facilities and process details
  - internal wastewater drainage
  - flow measurement devices installed or proposed
  - pump location and size
  - location of a sampling point
  - proposed connection point to the sewerage system
  - Sewer/stormwater drainage plan
- Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS) for any chemical proposed to be used as part of trade waste process.
- Where meals are prepared on site, a copy of a menu.

### Substances Prohibited from being discharged to the sewerage system

The following substances are prohibited from being discharged into Council's sewers or drains:

- a) organochlorine weedicides, fungicides, pesticides, herbicides and substances of a similar nature and/or wastes arising from the preparation of these substances;
- b) organophosphorus pesticides and/or waste arising from the preparation of these substances;
- c) any substances liable to produce noxious or poisonous vapours in the sewerage system;
- d) organic solvents and mineral oil;
- e) any flammable or explosive substances;
- f) discharges from 'Bulk Fuel Depots';
- g) chromate from cooling towers;
- h) natural or synthetic resins, plastic monomers, synthetic adhesives and rubber plastic emulsions;
- i) rain, surface, seepage or subsoil water, unless specifically permitted;
- j) solid matter
- k) any substance assessed as not suitable to be discharged to the sewerage system;
- l) waste liquid that contain pollutants at concentrations which inhibit the sewage treatment process – refer *National Wastewater Source Management Guideline*, July 2008, WSAA; and
- m) any other substances listed in a relevant regulation.

### Fees and Charges

Liquid Trade Waste fees and charges are available from Council's Schedule of Fees and Charges at Council's Administration Centre and on the website.

In submitting an application form the applicant must pay the application fee on lodgement of the application and supporting documentation. If approved there is an annual fee; there are additional charges that may be applied if re-inspections are required; and charges may be applied if adequate pre-treatment *has not* been installed.

**For further information or assistance, please contact Council's Environmental Health Officer on 02 6728 8200.**