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1. Purpose and Scope

Gympie Regional Council's Trade Waste Policy supports business development and environmental values through providing access to efficient sewerage services for the discharge of waterborne commercial and industrial waste (trade waste).

This policy is a statement of Council's commitment to Trade Waste management and provides information and guidance to:

- Persons discharging or intending to discharge Trade Waste to GRC's sewerage system (including via connection or tankering within the network or at treatment facilities).
- The owners and occupiers of businesses that discharge Trade Waste to GRC's sewerage system.
- Representatives of regulatory agencies relevant to Trade Waste.
- Staff of GRC

2. Related Legislation/Documents

- *Environmental Protection Act 1994 (Qld)*
- *Plumbing and Drainage Act 2018 (Qld)*
- *Southeast Queensland Water Act 2009 (Qld)*
- *Water Supply (Safety and Reliability) Act 2008 (Qld)*
- Trade Waste Management Plan – WBUMP070

¹ The Version Number is direct from the Corporate Records Management System

3. Definitions

Refer to the definitions that are provided in the Gympie Regional Councils Trade Waste Management Plan.

4. Policy Statement

Gympie Regional Council will provide a trade waste service in a manner that protects people, assets and the environment from unacceptable risk and which aligns with the Trade Waste Management Plan.

Gympie Regional Council will conditionally accept trade waste into its sewerage system, provided that:

- The Trade Waste does not contain a Prohibited Substance (per Schedule 1 of the *Water Supply Act 2008*);
- The Trade Waste does not contain substances in amounts that are or may be toxic or detrimental to sewerage infrastructure, treatment processes, personnel or the environment;
- The Trade Waste does not contain substances that limit downstream water recycling or biosolids reuse;
- Where necessary or practicable, the Trade Waste is pre-treated on-site using 'best practicable pretreatment' to ensure Trade Waste Guideline Values are met; and
- The sewerage system has adequate available capacity to transport and treat the Trade Waste.

5. Review

This policy will be reviewed every 4 years or in accordance with changes to relevant legislation or business objectives.

6. Delegations

The delegation under this policy is included in the delegation schedule Council to CEO.

- *Water Supply (Safety and Reliability) Act 2008*