

## RODNEY'S TRADE WASTE

Rodney District Council manages the wastewater collection system so that liquid waste from domestic, industrial and commercial premises can be safely collected, transported and treated.



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## DO YOU NEED A TRADE WASTE CONSENT?

## WHAT IS TRADE WASTE?

Trade waste is defined as any liquid that is discharged into the wastewater system from commercial, industrial, manufacturing or trade premises resulting from any activity, process or operation.

Rodney District Council controls industrial waste discharges into the wastewater collection system under the provisions of the Trade Waste Bylaw 2004 ("the Bylaw").

The control of trade waste discharges is important for:

- the protection of the health and safety of sewer workers.
- the protection of the wastewater collection system.
- the protection of the wastewater treatment plants.
- the protection of the receiving environment.
- compliance with Council's discharge resource consents.
- assisting the Council's wastewater processing operations to produce effluent and biosolids of an acceptable quality.
- encouraging waste minimization and cleaner production in the commercial and industrial sectors.
- encourage water conservation.

## WHO HAS TRADE WASTE?

Trade wastes are generated by many businesses and industries, which include the following:

- Bacon & meat processing
- Bakery (wet industry type)
- Beverages (carbonated & non-carbonated)
- Breweries
- Butchery
- Chemical processors/packers
- Dairy products processing
- Dentists
- Electroplating
- Fish processing
- Food processing
- Fruit canning/preserving

- Glue manufacture
- Heavy machinery/engine washing
- Landfill leachate discharge
- Laundry
- Metal finishing
- Mortuaries
- Paint, resin and ink manufacturing
- Pesticide formulations
- Pharmaceutical
- Photo processing printing/publishing
- Powder Coating
- Printers
- Restaurants & takeaways
- Service station car washes
- Tanning
- Textile industry
- Truck & car wash facilities
- Timber treatment & processing

If your business falls into one of the above categories, there is the possibility that you will require a Trade Waste Consent to discharge.

## WHAT ARE THE REQUIREMENTS FOR THE DISPOSAL OF TRADE WASTE?

In short, any discharge which contains toxic or harmful wastes will require a Trade Waste Consent. Full requirements are covered in the Trade Waste Bylaw 2004.

A Trade Waste Consent must be obtained prior to the discharge of any trade waste to the sewer. The Trade Waste Consent establishes the discharge conditions of the waste.

## CONSENT APPLICATION

The occupier of any trade premise from which trade waste is proposed to be discharged, must apply for a Trade Waste Consent. Consent application forms can be obtained from the Compliance Engineer or downloaded from the Rodney District Council website.

## WHAT IS A TRADE WASTE CONSENT?

A Trade Waste Consent is the agreement between Rodney District Council and the owner/occupier discharging Trade Waste to the wastewater collection system to the terms and condition of the Consent and the Trade Waste Bylaw.

## PROVISION OF PLANS

Consent applications requiring installation of trade waste pretreatment facilities such as oil and grease traps, sedimentation traps and chemical treatment processes must be accompanied by plans of the proposed system and method of treatment.

These plans must be sufficiently detailed to enable the Council to determine the type of pretreatment proposed, its size and location. It should be noted that the construction of the above may require a building consent.

## IS THERE AN ASSOCIATED COST?

Rodney District Council's wastewater system, like most town and city systems, was designed to accept domestic strength wastewater. The unpredictable nature of Trade Waste has a significant impact on the wastewater system and its operational costs.

Rodney District Council plans to establish a user pays charging policy for Trade Waste discharges. The charges will depend on the classification of the discharge and will commence upon establishment of the Trade Waste Consent.

If in doubt and for further information contact the Compliance Engineer, Water Services at Rodney District Council.

