

Liquid Waste Acceptance Policy

Scope

This Liquid Waste Acceptance Policy applies to:

- All persons discharging liquid waste (other than domestic sewage and wastewater arising from domestic water use) into Icon Water's sewerage network.
- All persons involved in the management of liquid waste discharged into Icon Water's sewerage network.

Purpose

To protect public health, safety of personnel, the environment and Icon Water's sewerage infrastructure and operational processes by defining which liquid waste can be safely discharged into the sewerage network.

To ensure that Icon Water complies with the requirement of Clause 16.2 of the *Water Supply and Sewerage Service Standards Code (2000)*.

Policy

Icon Water's approach to the acceptance of liquid waste is consistent with frameworks recommended in the Australian Guidelines for Water Recycling (EPHC 2006) and the National Waste Water Source Management Guidelines (WSAA 2008).

In accordance with the Icon Water Liquid Waste Acceptance Guidelines, it is our policy to:

- Prohibit certain types of liquid waste from being discharged into the sewerage system.
- Accept liquid waste that meets specified parameters.

Applications for the discharge of liquid waste into the sewerage network will be reviewed against the Icon Water Liquid Waste Acceptance Guidelines. These Guidelines are specific to discharge categories and outline Icon Water's acceptance of liquid waste. Applications will be assessed against these Guidelines and it is Icon Water's policy to:

- Require approval in the form of a liquid waste approval for the disposal of liquid waste into the sewerage system
- For the discharge of tankered liquid waste into the network, charge fees for the acceptance of liquid waste under a negotiated customer contract (Nightsoil Agreement)
- For the discharge of high risk liquid waste into the network, we may charge fees for the acceptance of liquid waste under a negotiated customer contract, or
- Icon Water may refuse an application for connection to the sewerage network if it does not comply with the relevant Acceptance Guideline.

Icon Water will implement an annual compliance monitoring program to provide assurance that liquid waste customers are meeting their obligations for discharge of liquid waste into the sewerage network.

Icon Water will review this Liquid Waste Acceptance Policy from time to time and at least once every five years during the preparation of a sewerage Service Capability Projection required under Clause 3.2 of the *Water and Sewerage Network (Design Maintenance) Code*.

Definitions

Term	Definition
Domestic water	Has the same meaning as in the <i>Water Supply and Sewerage Service Standards Code (2000)</i> and includes swimming pool backwash from residential pools
Domestic sewage	As defined in the Icon Water Liquid Waste Acceptance Guidelines and means wastewater and all substances contained in it arising from the use of water, typically in residential homes, which is produced by a person in the usual course of daily living, is non-commercial in amount and nature and has not be stored or pumped.
High risk liquid waste	As defined in the Icon Water Liquid Waste Acceptance Guidelines
Icon Water Liquid Waste Acceptance Guidelines	Means the guidelines available on the Icon Water website (www.iconwater.com.au/tradewasteguidelines) that are applied to provide guidance for specific discharge categories which are used when Icon Water makes a determination whether it will accept or prohibit liquid waste from entering the sewerage system.
Liquid waste	Has the same meaning as in the <i>Water Supply and Sewerage Service Standards Code (2000)</i> . Liquid Waste is also referred to as Trade Waste. Liquid waste includes, but is not limited to waste generated through commercial or industrial activity, tinkered waste, building and construction activities.
Liquid Waste Acceptance Agreement	A negotiated customer contract that Icon Water may enter into with an applicant for the discharge of high risk liquid waste.
Night Soil Agreement	A negotiated customer contract that Icon Water may enter into with an applicant for the discharge of tinkered liquid waste.
Person	Includes a natural person, partnership, body corporate, association, governmental or local authority or agency or other entity
Trade Waste Approval	Icon Water's approval of an application for the discharge of liquid waste into the sewerage network.

References

- Utilities Act (2000)
- Utilities (Technical Regulation) Act (2014)
- Water Supply and Sewerage Service Standards Code (2000)
- Water and Sewerage Network (Design and Maintenance) Code (2000)
- Icon Water's Liquid Waste Guidelines (August 2016)
- Australian Guidelines for Water Recycling: Managing Health and Environmental Risk (Phase 1) (Environmental Protection and Heritage Council 2006)
- National Wastewater Source Management Guidelines (Water Services Association of Australia 2008)