Why do I need to use the Septage Receival Station?

Dubbo Regional Council has implemented a Liquid Trade Waste Policy developed by the Department of Primary Industries Water. The Policy has been developed to align with the National Framework for Wastewater Source Management.

Under the Policy, the discharge of septage from septic tanks into Council's Sewerage System is considered a discharge of liquid trade waste. Trade waste transporters are required to discharge septic tank waste at the Septage Receival Station and pay applicable charges as outlined in Council's Revenue Policy.

Contact us

For more information about Council's Septage Receival Station and Liquid Trade Waste Policy contact Council's Customer Service Centre on: (02) 6801 4000

or visit Council's website: www.dubbo.nsw.gov.au
How can I access the Septage Receival Station?

Council’s Liquid Trade Waste Policy requires your business to gain Approval to access the Septage Receival Station for the disposal of septage under the Liquid Trade Waste Classification S.

To obtain approval you will be required to lodge a Trade Waste Application/Renewal – Concurrence Classification 25 form with Council. The Septage Receival Station will open on 1 January 2013.

Only approved waste transporters can discharge septage at Council’s Septage Receival Station on Boothenba Road, Dubbo.

The application must include the vehicle registration number of all tankers that will discharge waste at the Septage Receival Station.

Application forms can be obtained from Council's Customer Service Centre in Church Street, Dubbo or online at: www.dubbo.nsw.gov.au

What can be discharged to the Septage Receival Station?

Septage under the Liquid Trade Waste Concurrence Classification 25 – which comprises pan contents, septic tank pump-outs and chemical toilet waste.

Substances that cannot be discharged in the septage waste include, but are not limited to:

- Organochlorine weedicides, fungicides, pesticides and herbicides;
- Organophosphate pesticides;
- Any substances liable to produce noxious or poisonous vapours in the sewerage system;
- Organic solvents and mineral oil;
- Any flammable or explosive substances;
- Discharges from ‘Bulk Fuel Depots’;
- Chromate from cooling towers;
- Natural or synthetic resins, plastic polymers, synthetic adhesives, rubber and plastic emulsions;
- Any substance assessed by Council as not suitable to be discharged to the sewerage system;
- Waste liquids that contain pollutants at concentrations which inhibit the sewage treatment process – refer National Wastewater Source Management Guideline, July 2008, WSAA.

What are my obligations?

Septic tank and pan waste contents that are disposed of illegally can have serious environmental consequences, and there are significant penalties for this type of pollution.

Applicants must comply with all relevant Acts, regulations, by-laws, proclamations and orders and with any lawful direction or orders given by or for Dubbo Regional Council or any other competent authority.

Failure to comply with the above conditions may result in approval being revoked.

PLEASE NOTE: All tanker drivers must participate in a site induction of the Septage Receival Station.

The station will operate using an Avdata Water Management System.