



Trade Waste Categories

PRACTICE NOTE TW02

This Practice Note is part of a series of notes developed to assist with the use and implementation of the Central Hawke's Bay District Council's Trade Waste Bylaw 2021.

What are trade waste categories?

There are three categories of trade waste:



1. Permitted

Trade wastes which meet the conditions of Schedule A are categorised as Permitted trade waste. The trade waste discharge must meet the conditions in Schedule A at all times. This category of trade waste is considered to be low risk to the wastewater system and workers, and as such is not routinely monitored.

Council keeps a register of Permitted trade waste discharges, and an application to discharge permitted trade waste is required. Council may visit your Premises to check on your activities and that they continue to meet the permitted trade waste category. You are required to notify Council if your activities change, you intend to cease to discharge to the wastewater system, or of any ownership changes for your business. If your business moves, you must also notify Council.

Trade waste from premises such as those below may be categorised as permitted trade waste, but an application to Council is required to confirm your activities meet the requirements of the permitted category.

Wastewater discharges from the following Premises are examples of potential Permitted trade waste:

- Bakeries
- Vehicle washes
- Community facilities with catering facilities
- Clothing manufacturers
- Doctors surgeries
- Hotels and motels with catering facilities
- Laundries
- Marae
- Mechanical workshops
- Laboratories
- Restaurants and cafes

- Wholesalers/retailers including butchers, greengrocers and fishmongers
- Educational facilities with laboratories
- Takeaway Premises
- Veterinary surgeries
- Hairdressers

Pre-treatment may be required in order to meet the requirements of the Permitted category. See Pre-treatment section below.



2. Conditional

Conditional trade wastes are those that do not meet one or more of the conditions in Schedule A, but don't trigger any of the conditions in Schedule B.

Conditional Tankered Waste

Any waste that is tankered is classified as conditional. Only domestic septic tank and grease trap waste can be tankered to an approved location under the conditions of a conditional tankered waste consent.

Any waste from a holding tank must have its own separate consent to discharge at an approved location – this must be arranged prior to the discharge.



3. Prohibited

Where any trade waste discharges meet the conditions or characteristics in Schedule B, these must not be discharged to the Council wastewater system. Please contact Council to understand what options are available to you.

How is trade waste categorised?

Trade waste classification is assessed at the time of application for trade waste discharge to Council but applies at all times. If your activity changes, your trade waste categorisation may have changed, so it is important to let Council know of any changes.

How can I tell what category my trade waste discharge could be?

The flow chart in Figure 1 should be read in conjunction with Schedule A and Schedule B of the Trade Waste Bylaw 2021. The flowchart has been prepared to assist with determining what the likely category will be that is applied to your trade waste. The category will be confirmed by Council upon application.

