

Liquid Trade Waste

Exemptions



Definition

Liquid trade waste (LTW) is any discharge to a sewerage system other than domestic waste from a hand wash basin, shower, bath or toilet.

Central Coast Council is referred to as Council.

Introduction

This Fact Sheet is provided to assist you to treat and dispose of liquid trade waste in an efficient and approved manner.

For further information, please contact Council's Trade Waste Section on 4350 5555.

For LTW application forms, refer to www.centralcoast.nsw.gov.au.

Exemptions

This table lists commercial business activities that the Director – Water and Sewerage Regulation, NSW Department of Industry Water has consented to an exemption from the requirement to apply for approval for liquid trade waste discharge to the sewerage system. Each business conducting the activities listed in the table must meet the standard requirements specified. Annual trade waste fees do not apply to these dischargers.

Notes to assist with understanding the table:

1. Where 'required' is used, it means as required by Council.
2. If the activity is conducted outdoors, the work area must be roofed and bunded to prevent stormwater flowing into the sewerage system.
3. All drainage from floors in food preparation areas is required to pass through a floor waste basket.
4. Food preparation activities need to comply with sound housekeeping practices including:
 - Floor must be dry swept before washing
 - Pre-wiping of all utensils, plates, bowls etc to the scrap bin before washing up.
 - Use of a food waste disposal unit is not permitted.



Activity	Requirements
Beautician	Nil
Bed and Breakfast (not more than 10 persons including proprietor)	Sink strainers in food preparation areas. Housekeeping practices (see Note 4)
Community hall (minimal hot food, no grease arrestor)	Sink strainers in food preparation areas. Housekeeping practices (see Note 4)
Childcare / Day care centre (minimal hot food prepared) Classification assessed individually based on deemed risk level, type of food prepared & number of hot meals prepared. Existing properties with grease arrestors are not eligible for exemption but may be assessed and reclassified by Council to a lower risk category.	Sink strainers in food preparation areas. Housekeeping practices (see Note 4). Nappies are not to be flushed into the toilet.
Delicatessen (no hot food prepared)	Sink strainers in food preparation areas. Housekeeping practices (see Note 4)
Dental technician (moulding, impressions, X-ray)	Plaster arrestor required. X-Ray waste, if generated, must be captured and contained and not discharged to sewer. Alternately, digital X-ray equipment can be used.
Doctor's surgery – Medical Centre (plaster casts, X-ray)	Plaster arrestor required. X-Ray waste, if generated, must be captured and contained and not discharged to sewer. Alternately, digital X-ray equipment can be used.
Dog/cat groomer/salon Vet Surgery	Floor waste basket and sink strainer required (see Note 3). Animal litter and any waste disposal products may not be discharged to sewer. No organophosphorus pesticides to be discharged to sewer. X-Ray waste, if generated, must be captured and contained and not discharged to sewer. Alternately, digital X-ray equipment can be used.
Florist	Floor waste basket and sink strainer required. No herbicides/pesticides may be discharged to sewer.
Fruit and vegetable – retail	Floor waste basket and sink strainer (see Note 3)
Funeral parlour	Floor waste basket required.



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	Formaldehyde is not to be discharged to the sewer.
Hairdressing	Floor waste basket and sink strainer required (where available)
Jewellery shop - Miniplater	Miniplater vessel to contain no more than 1.5L of precious metal solution
Ultrasonic washing	Nil
Precious stone cutting	If: <1000 litres per day, plaster arrestor required >1000 litres per day, general purpose pit required
Mixed business (minimal hot food) (Exemption subject to Council assessment)	Floor waste basket and sink strainer required (see Note 3) Housekeeping practices (see Note 4)
Mobile cleaning units: Carpet cleaning Garbage bin washing Venetian blind cleaning	A 20 micron filtration system fitted to a mobile unit. Floor waste basket required. Discharge is via grease arrestor (if available)
Motel (minimal hot food prepared and no laundry facility)	Floor waste basket and sink strainer required (see Note 3)
Nut shop	Floor waste basket and sink strainer required (see Note 3)
Optical service – retail	Solids settlement tank / pit required
Pet shop – retail	Floor waste basket and sink strainer required (see Note 2)
Sandwich shop, salad bar, juice bar, coffee shop (minimal hot food prepared, Exemption subject to Council assessment)	Floor waste basket and sink strainer required (see Note 3) Housekeeping practices (see Note 4)
Service Station Forecourts	Refer to DPI Water Circular No. LWU13 (contact Council's Trade Waste Section for a copy)

