

# Licence

Licence number	L7331/1996/10	
Licence holder ABN	Shire of Carnarvon 89 534 312 469	
Registered business address	3 Francis Street CARNARVON WA 6701	
DWER file number	DER2014/001261-1	
Duration	26/10/2023 to 25/10/2043	
Date of issue	25/10/2023	
Premises details	Carnarvon Water Storage Ponds - Treated Sewage Effluent	
	Lot 1320 on Plan 193061 and Portion of Lot 1205 on Plan 240108 Babbage Island Road, CARNARVON WA 6701 as depicted in Schedule 1	

Prescribed premises category description (Schedule 1, <i>Environmental Protection Regulations 1987</i> )	Production capacity
Category 54: Sewage facility	1,000 cubic meters (m³) per day

This licence is granted to the licence holder, subject to the attached conditions, on 25 October 2023, by:

Neville Welsh SENIOR INDUSTRY REGULATION OFFICER REGULATORY SERVICES Officer delegated under section 20 of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* (WA)

# **Licence history**

Date	Reference number	Summary of changes
09/04/1996	W1367/1996/1	Works approval
16/10/2014	L7331/1996/9	Licence re-issued
26/10/2023	L7331/1996/10	Licence renewed with format changes and 20 year term.

### Interpretation

In this licence:

- (a) the words 'including', 'includes' and 'include' in conditions mean "including but not limited to", and similar, as appropriate;
- (b) where any word or phrase is given a defined meaning, any other part of speech or other grammatical form of that word or phrase has a corresponding meaning;
- (c) where tables are used in a condition, each row in a table constitutes a separate condition;
- (d) any reference to an Australian or other standard, guideline, or code of practice in this licence:
  - (i) if dated, refers to that particular version; and
  - (ii) if not dated, refers to the latest version and therefore may be subject to change over time;
- (e) unless specified otherwise, any reference to a section of an Act refers to that section of the EP Act; and
- (f) unless specified otherwise, all definitions are in accordance with the EP Act.

**NOTE:** This licence requires specific conditions to be met but does not provide any implied authorisation for other emissions, discharges, or activities not specified in this licence.

### **Licence conditions**

The licence holder must ensure that the following conditions are complied with:

### Infrastructure and equipment

**1.** The licence holder must ensure that the site infrastructure and equipment listed in Table 1 and located at the corresponding infrastructure location is maintained and operated in accordance with the corresponding operational requirement set out in Table 1.

Site infrastructure and equipment	Operational requirement	Infrastructure location
Holding Ponds	Lined to achieve a permeability of less than 10 <sup>-9</sup> m/s	As shown in Schedule 1

2. The licence holder must only accept onto the premises waste of a waste type, which does not exceed the corresponding rate at which waste is received, and which meets the corresponding acceptance specification set out in Table 2.

#### Table 2: Types of waste authorised to be accepted onto the premises

Waste type	Rate at which waste is received	Acceptance specification
Treated sewage final effluent	830 m <sup>3</sup> /day	Treated sewerage final effluent from the Water Corporation.

**3.** The licence holder must ensure that the waste types specified in Table 3 are only subjected to the corresponding process, subject to the corresponding process limits and/or specifications.

#### Table 3: Waste processing

Waste type	Process(es)	Process limits and/or specifications
Sewage sludge from holding ponds	Desludging of ponds	Dispose of sludge in accordance with the Western Australian Guidelines for Biosolids Management, Department of Water and Environmental Regulations.

- **4.** The licence holder must manage all holding ponds such that:
  - (a) overtopping of the ponds does not occur;
  - (b) a freeboard at or greater than 500 mm is targeted;
  - (c) the integrity of the containment infrastructure is maintained;
  - (d) trapped overflows are maintained on the outlet of ponds to prevent carry-over of surface floating matter;
  - (e) vegetation and floating debris (emergent or otherwise) is prevented from encroaching onto pond surfaces or inner pond embankments;
  - (f) stormwater runoff is prevented from entering the treated sewage final effluent holding vessels; and
  - (g) there is no discernible seepage loss from the treated sewage final effluent folding vessels.

### Emissions

- **5.** The licence holder must ensure that odour emitted from the Premises does not unreasonably interfere with the health, welfare, convenience, comfort, or amenity of any person who is not on the Premises.
- **6.** The licence holder must ensure no visible dust generated by activities on the Premises crosses the boundary of the Premises

### Monitoring

7. The licence holder must record the total amount of waste accepted onto the premises, for each waste type listed in Table 4, in the corresponding unit, and for each corresponding time period, as set out in Table 4.

#### Table 4: Waste accepted onto the premises

Waste type	Unit	Time period
Treated sewage final effluent	m <sup>3</sup>	Each monthly period

#### **Records and reporting**

- 8. The licence holder must record the following information in relation to complaints received by the licence holder (whether received directly from a complainant or forwarded to them by the Department or another party) about any alleged emissions from the premises:
  - (a) the name and contact details of the complainant, (if provided);
  - (b) the time and date of the complaint;
  - (c) the complete details of the complaint and any other concerns or other issues raised; and
  - (d) the complete details and dates of any action taken by the licence holder to investigate or respond to any complaint.

- **9.** The licence holder must:
  - (a) undertake an audit of their compliance with the conditions of this licence during the preceding annual period; and
  - (b) prepare and submit to the CEO by no later than the 31 March each year an Annual Audit Compliance Report in the approved form.
- **10.** The licence holder must maintain accurate and auditable books including the following records, information, reports, and data required by this licence:
  - (a) the calculation of fees payable in respect of this licence;
  - (b) any maintenance of infrastructure that is performed in the course of complying with condition 1 of this licence;
  - (c) monitoring programmes undertaken in accordance with condition 7 of this licence; and
  - (d) complaints received under condition 8 of this licence.
- **11.** The books specified under condition 10 must:
  - (a) be legible;
  - (b) if amended, be amended in such a way that the original version(s) and any subsequent amendments remain legible and are capable of retrieval;
  - (c) be retained by the licence holder for the duration of the licence; and
  - (d) be available to be produced to an inspector or the CEO as required.
- **12.** The licence holder must, within 7 days of becoming aware of any non-compliance with condition 1, 2 and 3 of this licence, notify the CEO in writing of that non-compliance and include in that notification the following information:
  - (a) which condition was not complied with;
  - (b) the time and date when the non-compliance occurred;
  - (c) if any environmental impact occurred as a result of the non-compliance and if so, what that impact is and where the impact occurred;
  - (d) the details and result of any investigation undertaken into the cause of the non-compliance;
  - (e) what action has been taken and the date on which it was taken to prevent the non-compliance occurring again; and
  - (f) what action will be taken and the date by which it will be taken to prevent the non-compliance occurring again.

# **Definitions**

In this licence, the terms in Table 1 have the meanings defined.

#### Table 1: Definitions

Term	Definition
ACN	Australian Company Number
Annual Audit Compliance Report (AACR)	means a report submitted in a format approved by the CEO (relevant guidelines and templates may be available on the Department's website).
annual period	a 12 month period commencing from 1 January until December 31 of the same year.
books	has the same meaning given to that term under the EP Act.
CEO	means Chief Executive Officer of the Department. "submit to / notify the CEO" (or similar), means either: Director General
	Department administering the <i>Environmental Protection Act 1986</i> Locked Bag 10 Joondalup DC WA 6919
	or: <u>info@dwer.wa.gov.au</u>
Department	means the department established under section 35 of the <i>Public Sector Management Act 1994</i> (WA) and designated as responsible for the administration of the EP Act, which includes Part V Division 3.
discharge	has the same meaning given to that term under the EP Act.
emission	has the same meaning given to that term under the EP Act.
EP Act	Environmental Protection Act 1986 (WA)
EP Regulations	Environmental Protection Regulations 1987 (WA)
licence	refers to this document, which evidences the grant of a licence by the CEO under section 57 of the EP Act, subject to the specified conditions contained within.
licence holder	refers to the occupier of the premises, being the person specified on the front of the licence as the person to whom this licence has been granted.
monthly period	means a one-month period commencing from 1 <sup>st</sup> day of a month until the 30 <sup>th</sup> day of the same month.
premises	refers to the premises to which this licence applies, as specified at the front of this licence and as shown on the premises map in Schedule 1 to this licence.

Term	Definition	
prescribed premises	has the same meaning given to that term under the EP Act.	
waste	has the same meaning given to that term under the EP Act.	

### END OF CONDITIONS

# Schedule 1: Maps

### **Premises map**



Figure 1: Map of the boundary of the prescribed premise