



## Annual Audit Compliance Report Form

*Environmental Protection Act 1986, Part V Division 3*

Once completed, please submit this form either via email to [info@dwer.wa.gov.au](mailto:info@dwer.wa.gov.au), or to the below postal address:

Department of Water and Environmental Regulation  
Locked Bag 10  
Joondalup DC WA 6919

### Section A – Licence details

Licence number:	L9127/2018/1	Licence file number:	
Licence holder name:	City of Greater Geraldton		
Trading as:	Meru Waste Disposal Facility		
ACN:			
Registered business address:	Meru Waste Disposal Facility 61 Landfill Road Narngulu WA 6532		
Reporting period:	01/01/2024 to 31/12/2024		

### Section B – Statement of compliance with licence conditions

Did you comply with all of your licence conditions during the reporting period?  
(please tick the appropriate box)

- ☐ Yes – please complete:
- section C;
  - section D (if required); and
  - sign the declaration in Section F.
- ☒ No – please complete:
- section C;
  - section D (if required);
  - section E; and
  - sign the declaration in Section F.

### Section C – Statement of actual production

Provide the actual production quantity for this reporting period. Supporting documentation is to be attached.

Prescribed premises category	Actual production quantity
Category 13: Crushing of building material	269.552 tonnes (t) of building materials were crushed.
Category 57: Used tyre storage (general)	1,522 tyres were received on-site. Of these, 989 tyres were taken off-site to be recycled.
Category 61: Liquid waste facility	A total of 4,844.56 t of septage was received.
Category 61A: Solid waste facility	The following was received: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 4343.52 t of concrete, rock and rubble</li></ul>
Category 64: Class II or Class III putrescible landfills	The following was received: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 37,849.92 t of putrescible waste</li></ul>

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Prescribed premises category	Actual production quantity
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 10,786.75 t of mixed waste</li> <li>• 554.66 t of special waste</li> <li>• 1,269.24 t of contaminated waste</li> <li>• 3,244.31 t of clean fill</li> <li>• 0.04 t of hazardous household waste, of which 23.36 t were transported off-site</li> <li>• 0.33 t of plastic, of which 12.5 t were transported off-site</li> <li>• 177 animal carcasses.</li> </ul>
Category 67A: Compost manufacturing and soil blending	<p>The following was received:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 961.50 t of Green waste was received</li> <li>• 25.79 t of FOGO was received, with 3.87 t found to be contaminated</li> <li>• 93.71 t of cardboard was received, of which 131.00 t was transported off-site for recycling</li> </ul>

### Section D – Statement of actual Part 2 waste discharge quantity

Provide the actual Part 2 waste discharge quantity for this reporting period. Supporting documentation is to be attached.

Prescribed premises category	Actual Part 2 waste discharge quantity
n/a	n/a

### Section E – Details of non-compliance with licence condition

Please use a separate page for each condition with which the licence holder was non-compliant at a time during the reporting period.

Condition no:	19	Date(s) of non-compliance:	12 February, 14 February, 17 April and 5 June 2024
Details of non-compliance:			
Members of the public had raised complaints about dust generation.			
What was the actual (or suspected) environmental impact of the non-compliance?			
<p><b>NOTE</b> – please attach maps or diagrams to provide insight into the precise location of where the non-compliance took place.</p>			

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Dust generation caused reduced visibility and poor air quality.	
Cause (or suspected cause) of non-compliance:	
The Site's water truck was unavailable due to maintenance, which took a prolonged period to resolve, resulting in a lack of dust suppression.	
Action taken to mitigate any adverse effects of non-compliance and prevent recurrence of the non-compliance:	
Increased use of the water truck (when operational) and discussed the option of hiring a water cart when the Site's water truck wasn't operational.	
Was this non-compliance previously reported to DWER?	
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes, and	
<input type="checkbox"/> Reported to DWER verbally	Date:    /    /
<input type="checkbox"/> Reported to DWER in writing	Date:    /    /

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Condition no:	20	Date(s) of non-compliance:	12 June and 19 December 2024
Details of non-compliance:			
A fire was reported on 12 June 2024 after a lithium battery ignited in cell 5. Another fire was reported on 19 December 2024 after a battery was unloaded into cell 5 from residential waste.			
What was the actual (or suspected) environmental impact of the non-compliance?			
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The smoke and odorous fumes associated with the fires may have led to a deterioration in air quality downwind of the fires.	
Cause (or suspected cause) of non-compliance:	
Batteries in residential waste ignited after being dumped into the cell.	
Action taken to mitigate any adverse effects of non-compliance and prevent recurrence of the non-compliance:	
Water was applied to the fires, and loaders were used to isolate and spread out the dumped loads, making them easier to extinguish. The areas were avoided by staff and machinery until cooled, with close monitoring in place.	
Was this non-compliance previously reported to DWER?	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes, and	
<input type="checkbox"/> Reported to DWER verbally	Date:    /    /
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reported to DWER in writing	Date: 17/06/2024 and 20/12/2024


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Please use a separate page for each condition with which the licence holder was non-compliant at a time during the reporting period.			
Condition no:	41	Date(s) of non-compliance:	Multiple
Details of non-compliance:			
Incorrect disposal of asbestos containing material (ACM) within the construction and demolition disposal area, main shed, green waste area, and skip truck by hiding the ACM within other materials or beneath. The material was often hidden beneath other waste or building materials during inspection.			
What was the actual (or suspected) environmental impact of the non-compliance?			
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The ACM was generally inappropriately wrapped and exposed to the environment due to illegal disposal in incorrect areas; therefore, site workers and the public could have potentially been exposed to asbestos fibres through disturbance or crushing of materials.	
Cause (or suspected cause) of non-compliance:	
Inappropriately wrapped ACM was illegally dumped within incorrect disposal areas.	
Action taken to mitigate any adverse effects of non-compliance and prevent recurrence of the non-compliance:	
Affected areas were closed to the public and the identified material was watered down before being removed by a licensed asbestos contractor. Areas were made safe before re-opening to the public.	
Was this non-compliance previously reported to DWER?	
<input type="checkbox"/> Yes, and	
<input type="checkbox"/> Reported to DWER verbally	Date:    /    /
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**Section F – Declaration**

I / We declare that the information in this Annual Audit Compliance Report is true and correct and is not false or misleading in a material particular<sup>1</sup>.

I / We consent to the Annual Audit Compliance Report being published on the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation's (DWER) website.

Signature <sup>2</sup> :		Signature:	
Name: (printed)		Name: (printed)	
Position:		Position:	
Date:		28-2-25	Date:
Seal (if signing under seal):			

<sup>1</sup> It is an offence under section 112 of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986* for a person to give information on this form that to their knowledge is false or misleading in a material particular.

<sup>2</sup> AACRs can only be signed by the licence holder or an authorised person with the legal authority to sign on behalf of the licence holder.