



ASBESTOS WASTE DISPOSAL POLICY

Responsible Department: Development and Infrastructure Delivery
Responsible Section: Development and Infrastructure Delivery
Responsible Officer: Senior Environmental and Health Co-Ordinator

Objective

To provide guidance on the disposal of asbestos waste.

Introduction

Asbestos is a naturally occurring mineral which was extensively used by the building and construction industry until 1987. Asbestos fibres are capable of being caught in lung tissue leading to respiratory disease and death.

Policy

Asbestos products will be collected, transported, and disposed of in accordance with regulations which govern the disposal of asbestos waste.

Asbestos products which are not correctly packaged for delivery and disposal will be refused entry at a waste management facility in accordance with the Protection of the Environment Operations (Waste) Regulation 2005.

Council will charge for the disposal of asbestos waste at its waste management facilities in accordance with the current fees & charges schedule as listed in Council's Operational Plan and, where the prescribed fee is insufficient to meet the cost of disposal, 100% cost recovery.

Council will accept asbestos at the following landfill sites as follows (note: all fees are payable in advance of accepting waste):

<i>Narrabri Waste Management Facility – Manned Facility</i>		
Friable asbestos	Minimum Notice	Fee
1 tonne or less	2 business days notice	As per Fees & Charges
More than 1 tonne less than 25 tonnes	4 business days notice	As per Fees & Charges
More than 25 tonnes and from a premise located within Narrabri Shire.	To be agreed at the time of application	As per Fees & Charges. With earthworks component POA – 100% cost recovery

Non-friable asbestos		
1 tonne or less	0 business days notice	As per Fees & Charges
More than 1 tonne less than 25 tonnes.	4 business days notice	As per Fees & Charges
More than 25 tonnes and from a premise located within Narrabri Shire.	To be agreed at the time of application	As per Fees & Charges. With earthworks component POA – 100% cost recovery

Identification Origin Of Waste

A person must provide details of where (property & building) any asbestos originated from.

Requirement to Produce WorkCover NSW licence to remove bonded asbestos

A Workcover NSW licence to remove non-friable asbestos from the premises of origin is required to be shown to Council prior to depositing non-friable asbestos where the amount of non-friable asbestos is likely to have a surface area greater than:

- 10 square meters of surface area from 1 January 2008

A licence is required to remove, repair or disturb any amount of friable asbestos.

Requests to Dispose of Greater than 25 tonnes

An application to dispose of more than 25 tonnes must be in writing and explain the types of material to be deposited, tonnage and estimated cubic volume of the uncompacted waste.

For disposal over 25 tonnes the charges will be made up of two components as follows:

1. A rate/tonne with this rate covering (supervision costs, any regulatory costs, the value of the land used to store waste, consultancy costs, and a contribution towards the cost of acquiring future land)
2. An earthworks component covering (supervision costs, machinery hire & sundries, air monitoring, any regulatory costs, consultancy costs, access road provision, provision of capping material etc).

A detailed breakdown of the earthworks component of the charge must be signed off by the Director Engineering Services before payment is made.

References

- Local Government Act (NSW) 1993 and Local Government (General) Regulation 2005.
- Protection of the Environment Operations (Waste) Regulation 2005.

Measure of Success

- Measure by the adherence to the Policy and Procedure outlined in the Policy.

History

MINUTE NUMBER	MEETING DATE	DESCRIPTION OF CHANGE
510/2007	7 August 2007	Adopted
26/2012	21 February 2012	Reviewed
210/2013	2 April 2013	Reviewed