



INDUSTRIAL WASTE RESOURCE GUIDELINES

MOVEMENT OF CONTROLLED WASTE INTO VICTORIA

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INTRODUCTION

The interstate movement of controlled waste into Victoria is managed under the National Environment Protection Measure (NEPM) for the Movement of Controlled Waste between States and Territories.

EPA Victoria has adopted the NEPM principles through implementing the *Industrial Waste Management Policy (Movement of Controlled Waste between States and Territories)* (the Policy).

Controlled wastes are listed in the NEPM (see Further Information). If you are unsure whether or not the waste you wish to remove, or receive, is defined as a controlled waste under the NEPM, contact the agency or department responsible for environmental protection in your state or territory.

Dispatching, receiving or otherwise participating in the interstate movement of a controlled waste, without the appropriate approvals, is unlawful.

WHAT THIS MEANS FOR YOU

You will be affected by the Policy if you:

1. are a producer of a controlled waste wishing to transport that waste from another State or Territory into Victoria
2. are involved in the transportation of a controlled waste between states or territories
3. intend to receive a controlled waste from another state or territory for storage, treatment, recycling and/or disposal.

Under the Policy, waste producers, transporters and receivers must:

- use the nationally agreed NEPM List of controlled wastes
- ensure that a valid consignment authorisation is issued from the receiving State prior to any transportation (see attached application)
- ensure that interstate movements of controlled waste are accompanied by a waste transport certificate
- complete and sign the required sections of the waste transport certificate
- ensure that the vehicle has a permit/licence issued in the owner's/company's home State that is valid to transport controlled waste
- ensure that the PCB application form is completed and submitted with the consignment authorisation application when transporting polychlorinated biphenyls (PCB's)
- be fully aware of the relevant requirements of local legislation. In Victoria, this is the *Environment Protection Act 1970*, the *Environment Protection (Industrial Waste Resource) Regulations 2009* and the *Industrial Waste Management Policy (Movement of Controlled Waste between States and Territories)*.

CONSIGNMENT AUTHORISATION

EPA will issue or refuse a consignment authorisation within five working days following receipt of a completed application. Further information may also be sought to support the application.

General considerations

States and territories are required to take certain matters into consideration in determining an application for a consignment authorisation. These include, but are not limited to:

1. whether the facility to which the controlled wastes are directed, is appropriately licensed, or approved by the agency in the participating state or territory of destination, to receive the controlled waste.
2. relevant environmental protection policies and legislation of participating jurisdictions which will assist in meeting the desired environmental outcomes.

This guidance forms part of the Industrial Waste Resource Guidelines (IWRG), which offer guidance for wastes and resources regulated under the *Environment Protection (Industrial Waste Resource) Regulations 2009* (the Regulations). Publication IWRG831 – June 2009.

Victorian considerations:

- Where practicable, wastes should be treated or disposed of in the State of origin.
- Waste may only be disposed of at facilities that have the appropriate licence or permit to operate in that jurisdiction.
- Waste will not be permitted to be transported interstate for landfill.
- Relevant environment protection policies and Victorian legislation.

Jurisdictions may consult with each other before deciding whether to approve or refuse the consignment.

WASTE TRANSPORT CERTIFICATES

Waste transport certificates can be obtained from the environmental protection agency in the state or territory of origin. See Further Information below for details on EPA Victoria waste transport certificates.

Regardless of which format is used, a hard copy of the waste tracking form must be kept in the cabin of the vehicle while waste is being transported.

SPECIFIC RESPONSIBILITIES

Waste producer

A waste producer is the person who produces controlled waste, or a person authorised by an agency in the jurisdiction where the controlled waste is produced, to act on behalf of the producer.

If you are a waste producer wanting to move controlled waste to Victoria you must:

- prior to dispatch of the controlled waste, apply for, and be issued with, a valid consignment authorisation number by the agency of the originating state or territory, or a facility authorised by that agency. EPA can help you with contact details
- ensure that the controlled waste transporter has a valid transport permit/licence
- obtain a waste transport certificate, complete the required sections and give it to the transporter
- ensure that the transporter fills out the relevant section of the transport certificate before the controlled waste is removed from your premises
- keep a copy of all the information (for example, the completed waste transport certificate) for at least 24 months from the date of dispatch of each load

Waste transporter

A waste transporter is a person who transports controlled wastes from one participating state or territory to another.

If you are a waste transporter you must:

- ensure that your vehicle has a permit/licence which is endorsed for the interstate transport of controlled waste by the relevant agency or department responsible for environment protection in the state or territory of origin
- at the time of pick-up, provide or confirm to the controlled waste producer, the relevant information on the transport certificate
- ensure that all required documentation is kept in the cabin of the vehicle. This includes –
 - a printed hard copy of the transport certificate
 - a copy of your permit/licence
 - an 'initial emergency response guide' card
- on delivery, ensure that the relevant section of the waste transport certificate is completed by the receiver and –
 - retain your copy of the transport certificate
 - ensure that the waste receiver takes their correct copy.

Facility operator (waste receiver)

If you are a facility operator receiving controlled waste you must:

- on receiving the waste, be given a copy of the transport certificate from the transporter and, after checking consignment details, confirm receipt of the waste by completing the transport certificate
- report the receipt of a consignment (or load) by sending off the relevant part of the transport certificate to –
 - the producer
 - the nominated agency in the jurisdiction of origin
 - the nominated agency in the jurisdiction of destination
- provide the information required on the transport certificate and retain it for at least 24 months
- report any discrepancies on the transport certificate to EPA Victoria.



FURTHER INFORMATION

Information on the NEPM is available from: National Environment Protection Council

Tel: 08 8419 1200

Fax: 08 8224 0912

Web: www.ephc.gov.au/

Email: exec@nepc.gov.au

To purchase Waste Transport Certificates contact EPA – go to www.epa.vic.gov.au and see 'Contact details'.

CONSIGNMENT AUTHORISATION APPLICATION

MOVEMENT OF CONTROLLED WASTE BETWEEN STATES AND TERRITORIES NEPM

From:

Organisation _____
 Contact Person _____
 Telephone _____
 Facsimile _____
 Email _____

To:

EPA Victoria
 GPO Box 439500
 Melbourne 3001
 Phone: 03 9695 2662
 Fax: 03 9695 2692

THIS SECTION TO BE COMPLETED BY THE PRODUCER OF THE WASTE

I hereby apply for a consignment number for the transport of the waste described below from _____ (State of Origin) to _____ (State of Destination).

Name of Waste Producer _____

Waste Description _____ (for PCB waste, see over)

Waste Form (tick form) Liquid Sludge Solid Liquid & solid
 Waste Code (List 1) Contaminants (List 2)

UN Number Dangerous Goods Class Bulk/No of Packages

Amount of Waste kilograms or litres or tonnes

Name of Transporter _____

Licence or Permit No Date(s) of Transport: from / / to / /

Method of Transport Road only Rail and road Ship and road Ship, rail and road

Name of Facility Receiving Waste _____

Intended Disposal Route(s): Recycling Energy recovery Chemical/Phy treatment
 Immobilisation Incineration Storage Landfill Other

If the intended disposal route is storage or immobilisation, indicate the final fate of the waste:
 Landfill Other Briefly note destination _____

I declare that to the best of my knowledge the above information is true and correct.

Name (Block Letters) _____ Signature _____ Date _____

Official use only

The consignment number issued to the applicant.

This consignment authorisation must be used in relation to the waste described above, subject to any conditions

and limitations attached, and is valid from to inclusive.

Authorised Officer _____ Date _____

This authorisation may be amended or revoked at any time.



**APPLICATION FOR PCB APPROVAL
PURSUANT TO CONDITION 3 OF THE NOTIFIABLE CHEMICAL ORDER (PCBS)
DATED 1 FEBRUARY 2000**

Waste concentration (ppm) _____ (attach copy of NATA endorsed analytical results or include estimates for volume and concentration for each item of equipment).

Treatment Type _____

(If you have indicated "Other" as the intended disposal route, you must specify the proposed treatment type, eg. blending)

Where the Treatment Facility is not the final destination, indicate the final destination of the waste:

Name of Facility of Final Destination _____ Licence Number _____

Treatment type _____

Approval is granted subject to following conditions and any further conditions or limitations attached:

1. All details contained in the application for consignment number and PCB waste movement are true and correct.
2. The Authority is notified immediately of any proposed changes to the details contained in the application
3. This approval relates only to movement of PCB waste into Victoria. You must also obtain approval from other jurisdictions for PCB waste being moved from Victoria.
4. Movement of PCB waste not occurring until all approvals are granted.
5. In accordance with clause 3(g) of the Variation of an Order relating to Notifiable Chemicals you must obtain a destruction/disposal certificate from the receiving facility.
6. You must comply with any conditions imposed for any interstate movement of PCB waste under the National Environment Protection Measure "Movement of Controlled Waste Between States and Territories.

Pursuant to clause 3 of the Variation of an Order relating to Notifiable Chemicals dated 1 February 2000 the Authority grants approval to sell/supply PCB waste subject to your application dated

EPA Chairman or Secretary _____ Date _____

False and misleading information may lead to enforcement action.

This authorisation may be amended or revoked at any time.