

» soil classification waste disposal

Information for suppliers or generators of excavated soil material to be disposed at the Ballina Waste Management Centre.



This page provides waste classification information to suppliers or generators of soil to be disposed at the Ballina Waste Management Centre.

Ballina Waste Management Centre is licensed to accept general solid waste only.

No asbestos or asbestos impacted material is accepted at this facility. Penalties of up to \$7,500 apply for disposal of soil or waste containing asbestos.

» Definition

The soil waste classification (SOIL) is used to define waste that comprises well sorted soil such as clay, sand or silt only. That is, it doesn't contain other material such as vegetation, rocks, or man-made items such as concrete, rubble or other mixed waste.

It is material that doesn't fit the classifications for VENM or contaminated soil and may have some potential to be reused following appropriate classification.

It is likely that this material will comprise virgin material that cannot be classified as VENM either due to the source location within a high risk acid sulfate soil area or as the material has been sourced from a site where industrial, commercial, mining or agricultural activities were undertaken.

» Waste classification

All waste must comply with the general solid waste requirements of the Waste Guidelines, i.e. the NSW EPA Waste Classification Guidelines Part 1: Classifying waste (go to <http://www.epa.nsw.gov.au/resources/wasteregulation/140796-classify-waste.pdf>). Waste generators are to follow the steps outlined in this guideline until the waste classification has been established under a particular step.

Care must be taken to ensure that no asbestos is associated with waste material. Asbestos impacted material is classified as special waste and must be managed accordingly.

If your waste cannot be considered pre-classified, laboratory testing will be required. Waste generators must chemically assess their waste in accordance with Step 5 of the Waste Guidelines to determine the classification where it has not been classified under Steps 1–4 of the Guidelines. Laboratory analysis of soil samples will identify the average concentration of waste being assessed.

» Are there any legal waste transport or tracking requirements?

No. But as a minimum and for due diligence, you should keep records of the:

- amount and the type of waste generated, stored, treated or disposed of
- amount and the type of waste transported
- name of the transporter and vehicle registration number
- date of transportation
- name and location of the waste facility that is receiving the waste.

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